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“Although, we live in a demanding world with many requirements, we do have some choice of what we want to be.”



be distracted: Matthew Schmidt (12) and Jonathan Hurley (12) mimic Amanda Welch (12) and Brianne Gargas (12) during the Kinesiology slush bucket test. The ice and water was so cold that students often had to find a way to distract themselves from the stinging pain.



be solo: Evan Stahr (11) stands alone on the stage during the fall production of *It's a Wonderful Life*. Stahr acted as the lead of the play, George Bailey. It was Stahr's first time in a lead role, and he had many monologues.



be.

It's all about choice. Although we live in a demanding world with many requirements, we do have some choice of what we want to be. What can we be to stand out? Loud? Involved? It's all up to you. What you are is so much more than just an adjective, it's who you are; it's how you're viewed by your peers.

- Squeeze yourself into a tight spot of standing room in the crowd at the football games. Be a part of the reason the football team beat Crown Point for the first time in ten years. Our boys beat the Bulldogs 10-5.
- Throw your name in the hat of the Twilight raffle the library put on to help support Mr. Adam Tenbarger, English, who lost his home.
- Lose yourself as you walk into the new cafeteria and almost forget, at least for a second, that you're still at LC.
- Cure your hunger pains by buying popcorn from the Westlake students during lunch; a fundraiser used to allow more field trips.
- Welcome our new superintendent Dr. Gerald Chabot, but say goodbye once again to Mr. Sean Begley, principal, who leaves to fulfill his duty on another stay in the Middle-East.
- Say goodbye to an old tradition of taking the required ISTEP in the fall and prepare to take the mind numbing Core 40 in the spring.

1. be a super taster: Sarah Sweeney (12) and Mr. Ralph Holden, Social Studies, are taking part in the super tasters experiment during AP Psychology. Students painted their tongues and observed their taste buds.

2. be competitive: Kyle Ruthrauff (9) has the ball during the freshmen game against Chesterton Senior High School. Playing basketball as a freshman helps the athletes to prepare for Varsity later in their high school career.

3. be in communication: Samantha Tarrant (11) and Jillian Ruiz (12) chat during an Interact meeting. Interact club meetings were often packed full of students ready to volunteer their ideas.

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be.

Sometimes it's not the set requirements that force us to be who we are; it's our environment. From natural disasters to fulfilling our duty of being an American, we entered the school year at full speed.



- Get your hands dirty and fill sand bags with the athletes from all different fall sports when the floods hit.
- Wake up. Get yourself out of bed to participate in the waffle breakfasts to raise money for flood relief with NHS.
- Look around. See all the posters the Young American's club has put up to encourage voting.
- Have a voice. Whether it's in the student election or waiting in line at the polls, get out, have an opinion, and vote.
- Stay awake. Stay up late on the night of November 4th and watch the election night unfold. Keep your tired eyes opened a just a little bit later than usual and watch America elect it's first African-American president, Barack Obama.
- Perk up in Mr. Wartman's class. It's time to conserve gas, watch the stocks, and maybe downgrade that venti Starbucks latte to a tall sized coffee because the economy seems to be sliding further downhill every time we turn on the news.



So just be _____. Fill in the blank. Be proud. Be yourself. Be LC.

1.

be festive: Benjamin Wagner (10) hangs up string lights for the holidays. "I like putting up Christmas lights because, [Westlake students] do it every year," Ashley Dowling (12) said.

2.

be focused: Briana Bedford (10) and Ashley Turoci (10) do some research in the library. The girls were researching topics for their informative speeches.

3.

be a musician: Comron Fouladi (10) plays the guitar during Digital Photojournalism. The major project for photojournalism students was a digital photo story set to their choice of music.



“So, just be _____.
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be in the past: Stephanie Costa (12) prepares to fire a gun from *The Civil War* with the help of Mr. Tom Clark, Social Studies. Dressed in an outfit from that time period, Costa was able to get a glimpse of what living during that time would feel like.



be seniors: Vincent Redina (12), Jacob Lecea (12), Steven Ragan (12), Adam Misirly (12), and Nicholas Czapla (12) run out on the soccer field during their senior night. The boys were able to make it all the way to Regionals.

be *yourself* be *me* be *an individual* be *one* be *whoever you want*



There are so many options. So many things we can be and so little time. Our time here is limited. So, make your mark.



- 1. **be observant:** Nicole Krstulovich (10) and Batul Contractor (10) examine a test tube in biology class. The girls were working with pudding to learn about the building blocks of fats.
- 2. **be social:** Abby Studzinski (10) and Allison Anton (10) eat lunch in the new cafeteria. The renovations helped to lessen the hallway congestion.
- 3. **be fly:** Kurt Kudrecki (11) jumps up in attempt to score a point in the boys JV game against Crown Point. Unfortunately, the boys lost against the Bulldogs.
- 4. **be artistic:** Alyce Gargas (11) completes her project in 3D Art Class. Student in 3D Art made projects ranging from beads to stained glass.

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be you

So let's talk about you. Too many people tell us what to do, where to go, and how to act. Whether it's Mr. John Madison interrogating us for a signed hall pass or the principals ushering us behind the blue tape in the hallways, life here can start to feel a little restricted. So now it's time for you to choose.

■ Be innovative. The actors may be the ones in the spotlight, but it's the people behind the scenes in the new technical theater class that bring the whole show together.

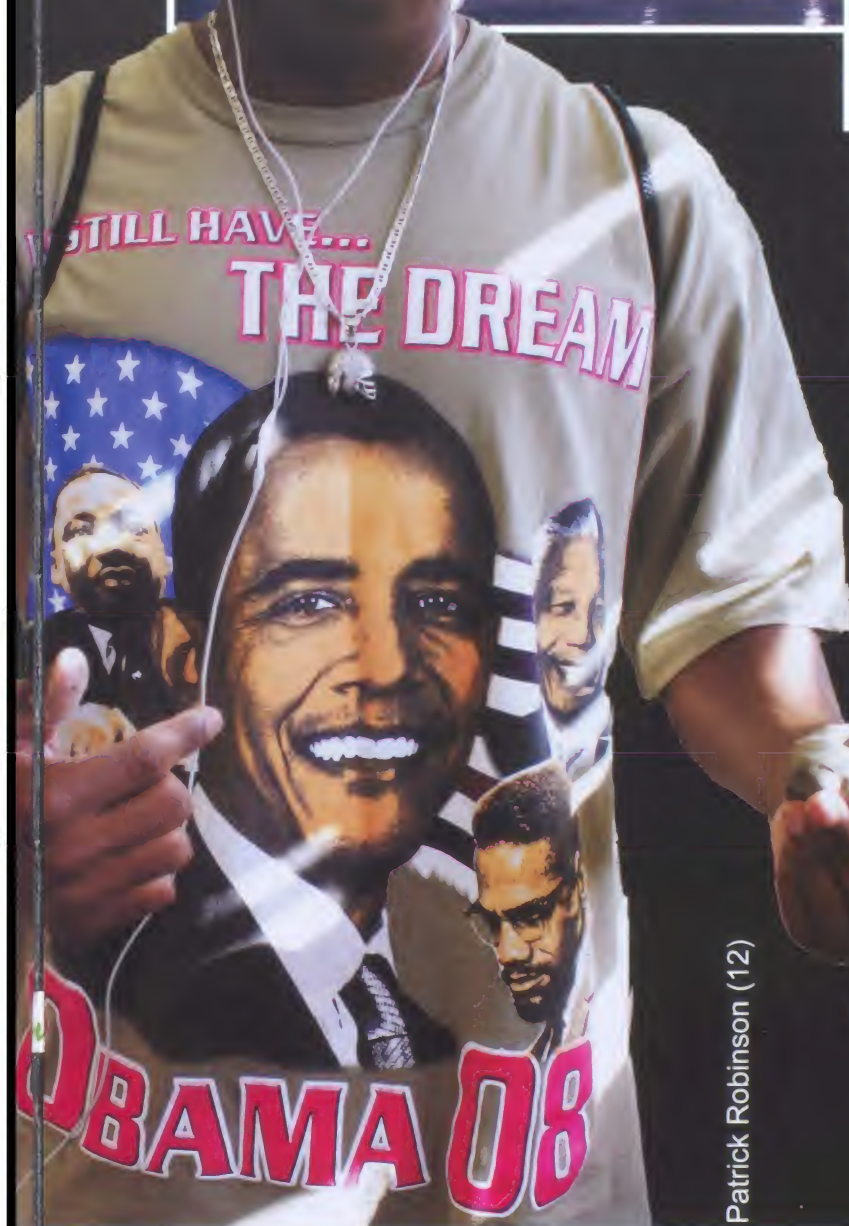
■ Be loved. Find that one person that makes your stomach fill with butterflies. Someone who is a constant distraction even when they're not around.

■ Be in motion. Find your inner Spielberg and create your own motion pictures like Johnathan Salazar (10).

■ Be prepared. Take a class or buy a book. Do what you need to do to get that perfect score on those awfully annoying, but college required ACT and SAT tests.

■ Be tired. Wake up and get to school at 6a.m. and be one of the 48 anatomy students who get to go on the cadaver lab field trip.

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Patrick Robinson (12)



"I like the new nano chromatic iPod. I like how you can shuffle the songs just by shaking it," *alyssa ford (12) said.*



"I like the iPod nano because it is small enough to carry around, and it still has video," *jerry jackson (11) said.*



"[I like the] iPod mini. It can store a variety of music," *elizabeth akers (11) said.*

connected be high-tech be scientific be technical be updated be online be

"I play guitar hero because it's fun and interesting. It's something that I'm really good at. I can play laying down but not standing up,"
jessica tas (11) said

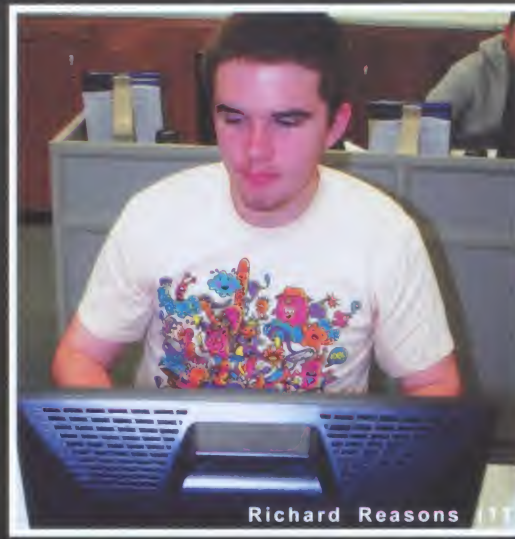
Q&A
with a Guitar Hero fanatic

Q: What level do you play on and how long did it take you to reach the level?

A: "I play on expert, and it took like a month [to get there]. Last Christmas break I basically played all day, every day."

Q: What is your favorite song and why?

A: "My Curse' by Killswitch Engage. I really like the band, and having them on Guitar Hero is all that much better."



Richard Reasons (11)



Katarzyna Dudzik (11), Megan Matura (12), Rachel Guiden (12), and John Rounsville (12)



Jeromy Reck (11), Justin Ross (9), Zachary Schuchman (9), and Karan Sharma (9)

creating new technology

Designing computer programs and calculating numbers is what a computer class is all about. In AP computer science, the students are able to show their talent and creativity through designing programs and are constantly involving themselves with new technology. "We make programs [in AP computer science]. It's what most of the curriculum is [and] stuff that teaches dance steps or makes odd calculations," Richard Reasons (11) explained. This class benefits students so they are well aware of what computer science really is all about and what hardwork comes with the class. "[This class will benefit me by] preparing me to be a software engineering major in college," Reasons said. AP Computer Science is always plugged-in and is one of the reasons why students are always aware of new technology.

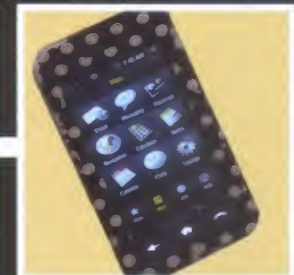
"I have a Nokia cell phone. It's black and has a very small screen. It has good color quality and never freezes"
ashley rhein (9) said.



"The new iPhone has changed my life. I never knew there could be so many games for one phone. But the best part is texting, which is my life. I love my iPhone," *Alyssa Goodfriend (12) said.*



"I have the voyager and I love it. I use the front touch screen for calling people, and the keyboard inside for texting. It is slightly larger, but it is nice for texting fast," *Lauren DeYoung (12) said.*



"[The Sprint Instinct] is all touch, and the Internet is really, really fast. The texting you can switch between a keyboard or writing [on the screen]," *Racquel Mazer (11) said.*



"[I like the] iPod Touch because you can touch it rather than push buttons," *andrew struck (9) said*



"[I like the] iPod, it has games and songs," *ryan reck (9) said*



"[I like the] Nano because it's smaller, and I can hide it in my pocket easier," *emily miles (9) said*

be *tech-savvy* be *musical* be *powered up* be *hooked up* be *entertained* be *loud*

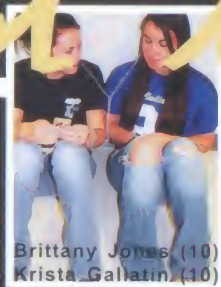
be plugged in

"In today's world you must have some level of computer skills. This is an area that is ever-changing. Therefore, you must keep current with the new technologies regardless of your chosen career field."

mrs. sally wilkins, business, said



Allison Cox (9)



Brittany Jones (10)
Krista Gallatin (10)



Connor (11)



be tired: Seth Ochoa (10) and Ian Lucas (9) take a nap on the way home from Chicago. The boys pulled and all-nighter to stand in line for the anticipated iPhone.

be in tune: Ian Lucas (9) and Jonathan Salazar (10) sit down while waiting in line in front of the Apple Store. The boys brought a guitar to play and sang songs about the iPhone.

iPhone intensity

you and your friends decide to not only pull an all-nighter, but also decide to go to Chicago to get the brand new iPhone 3G. "It was a normal hang out [for] me, Ian Lucas (9), Seth Ochoa (10), [and Chian Kim(10)]," Jonathan Salazar (10) said.

Kim asked his friends if they wanted to get the iPhone in the morning, when Lucas came up with the idea of pulling an all-nighter.

"We went to RTC [Round the Clock] around 4:15 [and] we had about a \$5 budget," Salazar said.

The boys decided to go to the Apple Store, in Chicago. They arrived and parked at about 5 a.m.

"There was a whole line of people and we were all so tired and hungry. We [also] brought a guitar and sang [songs] about the iPhone," Salazar said.

After standing in line for about 2 1/2 hours Kim found out that his mom had to be there [in order to get the iPhone].

"I had to punch Kim's arm to keep him awake [and] at one point he actually fell asleep, [so] we had to blast music," said Salazar.

The boys walked away with no iPhone and completely hungry and exhausted.

"I wanted to throw something, I was so mad that I didn't get it," said Kim.

Kim was determined to get the iPhone even after the fact that he was not allowed to buy it the night they traveled to Chicago.

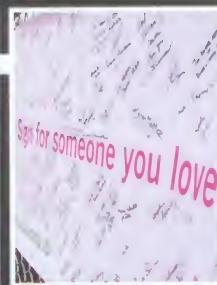
"I sold my laptop for the iPhone. That's how bad I wanted it," said Kim.

After an exhausting and disappointing night, the boys still walked away with great memories.

katy bastie and katie skura

be *loved*

"The idea of love is accepting of the other person's positive and negative qualities. Love is knowing that the other person will always be there for you. I've known this for about 32 years now,
mr. wayne swetnamoff english said "



definition of love

What is love? For some, it's that fluttering feeling in the stomach, or it's those persistent palms that can't stop sweating. It could be the joy of having one great friend, or the happiness of having an entire group who knows exactly what you're going through.

For sophomores Megan Lynch (10) and Scout Demir (10), their love is shared through the bond of friendship.

"A best friend gives you a person to laugh with, a shoulder to cry on and a diary to vent to. They love you for who you are no matter what," Lynch said.

Having a strong bond is very important amongst best friends, even when there are rough times. Starting a new school can really test a relationship.

"High School has really separated us, but Megan's still someone I can't replace," Demir said.

Friendship is just one of many different types of love. Mark Cannon (11) shows his big heart by helping out with the Westlake Program.

"This is my first year working with Westlake. At first you go in and you think 'I wonder how it will be?' but after the first week all those feelings change and now I've got a lot of new people I wouldn't have got the chance to meet," Cannon said.

All types of love are important, it's just how each individual shows his or her love that will truly make the difference.

katie tozzek and megan trincot



be together: Nicole Brassea (12) and her family smile during a wedding. Brassea valued family time as very important.

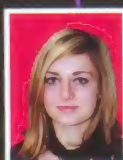
be passionate: Megan Lynch (10) and Scout Demir (10) hug during lunch. They have been best friends since fifth grade.

be in sync: Joseph Soltis Jr. and Emily Banning high five each other in the gym. They are benefitted by the help of peer mentors.

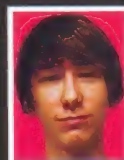
be *adored* be *affectionate* be *friendly* be *loved* be *compassionate* be *burnt*



"[Love is] all right. It's a really confusing thing to describe, when I've never felt it. I'm not sure I'll ever know what true love feels like,"
frank sabare (9) said



"Love in high school is the single most fickle, capricious thing a teenager can ever experience,"
natalie dec (12) said



"Love is kind. Love is patient. Love never fails. I got that from the Bible... for sure. I wish I could consult a Bible,"
jeffrey nottingham (11) said

believe

Spending countless hours with the same people every day can really drive a wedge between teammates. Or it can make their bond stronger.

"All the seniors held hands before the games to show unity. We are one team, with one dream," Eric Estill (12) said.

Unity is an important factor on teams to show that they can work together as one to meet a common goal.



"Love is a river that flows from your chest, through every organ. And we are the fish that that can't reach the core,"

Steven Stepnoski (11) said



Mrs. Julie Koricanic, English, and Neil Koricanic (12)



Emily Thompson (9) and Alex Thompson (9)



Tiffany Kobak (12) and Stephanie Kobak (12)

all in the family

Some say family is the strongest bond anyone can have, but would you want your family to be in high school along with you?

Alex and Emily Thompson (9) are twins, and their mom works in the lunch line. Some obvious advantages come with having a family member at school, especially when you forget your lunch money.

The Thompson's could relate to Neil Koricanic (12), whose mom also works as a teacher. Tiffany and Stephanie Kobak (12) are another set of twins. They are seniors and are both in student council. They are not only sisters, but they are classmates.

Family is a strong bond, and even at work or school, the love of family never fades. Once a family, always a family. Together as one.

Love/Hate Relationships

"I hate the end-of-the-year, freezing cold [band] practices," Rebecca Miedema (12) said.

"I like the competitions, but I hate the practices," Krista Gallatin (10) said.



Sarah Stidham (9)

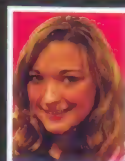
"I love [running] because I just feel good when I'm running, and I like being with the team. I hate it because it's hard and tiring," Erik Plesha (10) said.

"I love [cross country] because it makes you feel good, and it is a lot more fun to run with friends. I hate it when you have an injury and you can't run at all," Joshua Keith (9) said.



Adam Karcz (11)

noble be romantic be courteous be understanding be generous be admired



"[Love is] really hard to explain and kind of confusing. I do think you can fall in love in high school," James Irvine (9) said.



"We all need love to survive because it makes us happy. Love is the motivation we have to wake up in the morning," Gabriel Moreno (10) said.



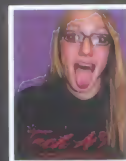
"[Love is] when somebody makes you happy and you make them happy too, and you would do anything for them," Amy Nelson (11) said.



"I race 4-wheelers all over the nation. I've been racing for nine years. I'm a national champion. I don't like team sports,"



"I don't play any sports in school, but I play volleyball for my old Chicago team, the Mustangs. I've been playing for two years,"



"When I think of being in motion I think 'Always do what you gotta do',"

be athletic be kinetic be quick be productive be active be expressive

be in motion

Being in motion is important for us in basketball. For offense the more in motion you are, the harder it is for defense to stop you,



their motion picture

Streaming by at 24 to 60 frames per second, few things are more in motion than a motion picture. The management of this art is difficult, and it takes an artist to master his own style of this moving painting. Jonathan Salazar (10) is one of those artists.

"I got started taking photos of things I did for future purposes, to look back on. My memory is terrible. I wanted to remember more things. When I was going into middle school I would make summer documentaries," Salazar said. If a picture is worth a thousand words, Salazar reasons, then a, "video is worth a thousand pictures."

He would begin to create more in depth atmospheres for his movies. There was no defining point for him. As he put it, "It just kind of happened." But there are two things for Salazar that never just happen—two things Salazar always regulates: the lighting and the mood, two peas in a pod.

"There are different kinds of lighting that bring mood. If you have dark lighting, then it's all evil and mysterious. Bright lighting is happy. I try to keep my lighting neutral, right in the middle. I like orange tints because it seems cozy. That's all I want is the lighting to be nice."

His most eccentric and continuous piece of fictional work is a series appropriately dubbed "Cat Times." The storyline is loose, but Salazar likes it that way; consistency is a dirty word here. Its simplicity is its allure, and to Salazar, there's not much to it.

"I just thought it would be funny to see a cat reading a book, or riding a bike. There are billions of ideas out there; I try to share it with everyone."

The constant hobby of film making has led Salazar to become number three in a Google search for his name, giving him a sort of unsung fame. His Vimeo profile boasts an upload count of sixty-something (by the time your reading this it's more than that), and his movies are just beginning.

"I'm just Jon Salazar, five-foot-seven, and I just like doing what makes me happy. And hopefully it makes other people happy. You make me sound so fancy."

stephanie tarrant and chris perez



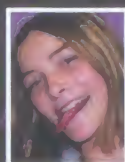
be compatible: Jonathan Salazar (10) and Ian Lucas (10) review footage for a movie.

be original: Jonathan Salazar (10) wears a cat mask for a video series. Salazar created the project now known as Cat Times.





"I go to a speed school every Tuesday, Thursday and Saturday at Omni. It works on you speed, strength, and flexibility."



"At home I play basketball and baseball. I've been playing both for three years. I love to rollerskate."

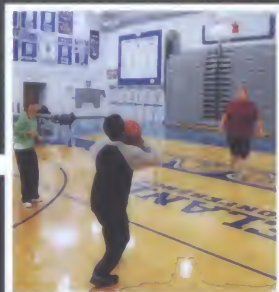


"When I think of being in motion I think of Football, to always be moving and not giving up."

we be in shape be ready be unstoppable be there be restless be moved



Adam Wroughten (11)
Quinn Phalen (11)



"It's a good opportunity for West Lake students to play basketball during SRT. It gives them a chance to have fun and interact with other students."



"I think there needs to be more 2-hour delays. I think there needs to be another entrance to the school."

"I don't like being lazy. I'm in motion all the time in whatever I do. **Everyone** should be in motion. Life doesn't stop moving and neither should you."

Kyle Moldenhauer (12) said



Laurie Rutkowski (12), Brooke Burczyk (12), Tara McElmurry (12)



Trichak (12), Steph (12)



Introduction to Theatre Class



Eric Summers (12), Kyle Kaluza (12), Haralamb Manousopoulos (12)

moving through the day

Life is routine. We wake up at the same time on the same days of the week. We follow the same paths to the same classes, take the same routes to the same school. The routine may seem unrelenting, but here and there, as unpredictable as it is, we greet change. We get to live a little. Sometimes we just go for it and take off running down a dune at the Indiana Dunes over fall break, or we take part in a hula-hoop contest at the pep rally just because we can. Sometimes we even get to get up and dance in class. It doesn't matter why, it matters that it's happening. And without these random surprises that make life worth living, we tempt routine into capturing us in its grip. Life is just one big surprise, always moving, always happening, always changing. Rules and routine attempt to control that unpredictability, to regulate it. But the human spirit desires change; it keeps us on our toes. And when we look at the bigger picture, we understand that life, no matter how we try to stop it, is always in motion.

going all out
"Our last homecoming game was real fun. Getting loud and cheering our team on is what we do. [Eric] Summers (12) had the idea of lifting Kyle [Kaluza] (12) every time we scored, and that's something I'll remember for a long time,"

haralamb manousopoulos (12) said

new

Public Relations students top last year's celebration of First Amendment Day

getting the facts:

with Mrs. Myra Lolkema

q: How did you come up with the idea?

We [Journalism department] started celebrating First Amendment Day last year with crazy t-shirts to get people involved. We wanted something bigger and better, but more serious this year and more wide spread. Mrs. [Sarah] Verpooten, Mrs. [Carrie] Wadycki planted the seed to have a license plate design to get people involved. It will be hard to top this year.

q: How did you get to design a license plate?

I called the State of Indiana Bureau of Motor Vehicles and asked how to make a license plate. They said you had to do it for a non-profit organization, which the IHSPA [Indiana High School Press Association] is. We also needed 600 signatures and \$6000. The IHSPA was excited [when we presented the plate] and are willing to help make this possible.

winners: Hannah Nava (10), Cara Oprea (10)



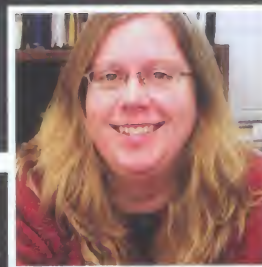
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be green



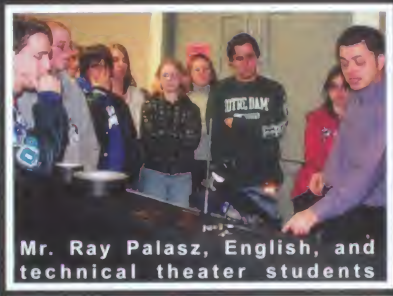
"I feel [going green] is necessary because we are hurting our planet with pollution. I recycle a lot and my family and I conserve power when we aren't using it. We're looking into a Hybrid car when I drive," Jacob Kozel (9) said.



"I recycle bottles, paper, and reuse bottles and bags. I have no plastic bags and only use canvas bags. I don't let water run when brushing [my] teeth and I don't use a hair dryer. [I also] set the printer on Fast Draft to save ink and I have my students use journals to save paper. I run a full washing machine and dishwasher and use environmental friendly soap. I think in the near future people are going to be required to [go green], so it's better to start practicing now. People should [be environmentally aware and conscious]. There are a lot of small things that can definitely help. The United States has the largest ecological footprint on the planet. People in the U.S. need to go more green," Mrs. Jody Cook, Science said.



Haley Borodine (12) and Amy Rupp (9)



Mr. Ray Palasz, English, and technical theater students



Technical Theater students

finally time for tech.

"Mr. Palasz has been fighting for this class for two years. He told theater people about it to get everyone excited so we could sign up. It was all Mr. Palasz. If it wasn't for him, we wouldn't have this class. It has been approved so that the students could take it twice and get credit for both semesters. It's helping me do what I want to do in life, which is run a theater. We go in there and take notes on whatever unit of the course we are doing. First we did the history of theater and then we had to build wall corners from scraps of wood. We did a light and sound course and after that we did make up and costumes. It's pretty rad," Haley Borodine (12) said.

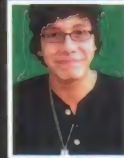
be creative be moved be original be cutting-edge be state-of-the-art



"I miss field trips a lot. It was more hands on, [too]. The pumpkin patch and apple orchard were my favorite. You can't beat hayrides," Michael Robinson (11) said



"I feel that field trips are an important part of a student's life because they [students] shouldn't have to stay in school all day," Ben Lucas (10) said



"I think field trips are fun because you get out of school for free. I would schedule a field trip to London just to talk to the people there and pick up their accent," Seth Nelson (10) said

be innovative

One of the key beliefs at Lake Central High School is that all students can learn, but we have to remember that all students learn in many different ways, and therefore it's vital for teachers to use a variety of instructional techniques to meet the needs of every student,



Brett Kelly (10)



Sarah Shaw (12) and Kristin Malek (12)



Evan Stahr (11), Grant McCormick (11) and Dominic Podsiadlik (12)



Matthew Cashen (12), Megan Melura (12), Brianne Gargas (12)



becoming modern

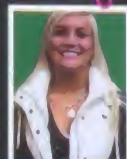
"Architects from OWP/P in Chicago designed the area [that used to be] Sgt. Stamate's office and the back portion of the male and female PE locker rooms were removed, as well as Mrs. Verpooten and Ms. Wadycki's room. [The overall goal and purpose was] to ease traffic to and from the Freshman Center, to add additional seating space for the cafeteria and create a general meeting area for students after and during school hours. Although still crowded, the cafeteria is much better than before. Traffic moves much better and fewer classes have to release students early. I believe students who were here last year are aware of the congestion S-hall presented. It is so much easier to walk between the buildings now. The open area is a great place to eat and talk before, during and after school. It's nice to have an area to sell popcorn, cookies, tickets, etc. We will begin construction on the west side of the cafeteria in May, enlarging the cafeteria and moving the teachers' cafeteria to the south side," Mrs. Sandra Platt, principal said.

Vote yes for the referendum so that we can get classroom space as soon as possible,

Mrs. Sandra Platt, principal said

emily levin and brittany grzezick

be ingenious be different be fresh be avant-garde be new be ground-b.



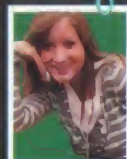
"I miss field trips a lot because they were a lot of fun. [If I could schedule a field trip anywhere, I would go to] Australia,"

Hayley Sanchez (12) said



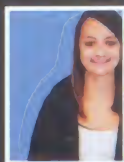
"I miss field trips because I love the zoo. I think we should have more field trips because it's a good educational experience,"

Arianna Garrison (12) said



"I don't miss field trips because they gave me bad anxiety attacks. I went to one field trip from first through fifth grade,"

Ashley Warner (10) said



"I prepare for tests by using flashcards or the website teachers give us," *Isaiah Cohen (9) said*



"I prepare for plays by rehearsing for long periods of time, memorizing my lines, and improving to get into character," *zachary adamczyk (12) said*



"I've been preparing for college by taking harder courses and maintaining good grades," *shloka kane (12) said*

be focused be on time be ready be organized be set be attentive be on



Isaiah Cohen (9) and Philip Gorman (12)



Jessica Tamayo (12), and Antonio Soria (12)

prepare to indulge

Among the variety of electives students can take during the school year, Foods seems to be on the top of the list. Foods is separated into three different levels of classes: Foods I, which is for the beginners who learn the basics of preparing meals, Foods II, which builds on Foods I where students become more independent and work on harder recipes, and Gourmet Foods, where students are totally independent of the teacher and pick whichever recipes they want to prepare. "I like Gourmet Foods the most because I like my classmates, the foods we make, and we always have a good time," Elio Zomparelli (12) said. Even though Foods is only a semester class, students make as many meals as possible before the eighteen weeks ends. "My favorite meal that we made would probably be the tropical chicken," Lauren Adamczewski (12) said.

morning routines

students share their daily rituals before school



"In order to sleep in later, I take my shower at night. I wake up at 6:55 a.m. and brush my teeth right away. I pick out my clothes randomly and get dressed before I head downstairs to grab my coffee and lunch waiting by the door. I take one sip of my coffee before I leave for school, and finish it while I arrive fashionably late at 7:20 a.m.,"

frank ruvoli (12) said.

"I shower at night so I don't have to get up as early and I start to straighten my hair. I wake up at 6 a.m. and go downstairs to eat my cereal. Once I'm done eating, I go upstairs to finish my hair and brush my teeth. I get dressed, put on my makeup, then I get my practice clothes together for dance. Once I have everything



nicole griffin (9) said.

preparing for a victory

"I'm really proud of the girls' work ethic and the way the team gets along because that made winning even better," *Mrs. Denise Rush physical education said*



Hillary Anthony (12) and Rachel Z...



Megan Plenus (11)



Girls and...

For girls' cross country, pasta parties have been a contributing factor to their season's success. "The pasta parties are a great way for the team to bond, socialize with each other, and have a good time before a meet," Megan Plenus (11) said. They also prepare by setting personal goals, listening to motivating music, and practicing. "I'm really proud of the girls' work ethic and the way the team gets along because that made winning even better," Mrs. Rush said.



"I physically prepared for football sectionals by laying off the weights and mentally by studying the plays,"
drew dumont (12) said



"I prepare for the SAT's by taking SAT prep. I also took the PSATs in October,"
amber zentgraf (11) said



"I prepare for swim meets by getting a lot of sleep and just being relaxed,"
teren solan (10) said

ask be confident be psyched-up be prepped be on guard be conservative

be prepared

"I think being prepared means having all your materials for class, knowing the subject matter, being able to explain your work, paying attention, and being ready to learn."
rita laskey, foreign languages said



Matthew Shubert and
Rebeka Kasper (11)



Sarah Sweeney (12)



Jordan Berminham (12)



prepare for the future

On top of all the homework, tests, and keeping up with grades, thinking about college seems like another worry to stress over. Stressing over college decisions can be reduced by simply taking an SAT prep course.

Students in SAT prep can learn the essentials needed to achieve a good score on the SAT's.

"[SAT prep] pretty much shows what the SAT's will look like so I know what to do when I take it," Ariel Bribiesca (11) said. Although students taking SAT prep receive only a participation grade, they should know that the work involved in taking this course will ultimately help them in the future.

"Taking SAT prep will hopefully help me get a better score on the SAT's so I can go to a good college," Alexis Hoyer (11) said.

Even though SAT prep is taken as a normal course during the year, it has many differences compared to other classes. For instance, SAT prep is taught by only two teachers. Mr. Darryl Carstensen, math, teaches the math portion that will be on the SAT's and Mr. Chris Engel, English, teaches the English portion. Roughly every four weeks, the two classes switch and learn the other part of the SAT learning material.

"The SAT prep class familiarizes students with the test itself, the material, and testing technique. It can greatly increase test scores, which directly affect college entrance and potential scholarships," Mr. Engel said.

In the long run, SAT prep will greatly help decide a student's future by preparing them for a test that will allow them to start their next school of study. SAT prep isn't a class for everyone, but if you're oblivious to knowing how to handle the SATs, this class is a great way to find out.

emily ganza and bree flores

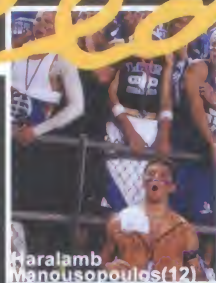


be prepared: Mr. Darryl Carstensen's, math, 3rd hour SAT prep class works diligently on their class work. The class worked only on preparing for the math portion of the SATs.

be prepared: Brooke Corley (11) works in her SAT prep book. Corley's class studied only on the English portion.

be amazed

“Amazed is something that takes your breath away, something unexpected that leaves you in awe. It’s something great or surprising.”
—Mrs. Valerie Gardner Math said



Karalamb Manousonoulos (12)



Joshua Hauter (12)



Robert Keough (12)

watered down

When you look out your window, you expect to see the pavement of the road and your green lawn. But when you look outside, and all you see is water, you know you are in trouble.

This September, when flooding broke out in all of the surrounding towns, this is what many unexpectedly saw.

“It kind of corrupted my life because everything was going good, and then I was forced out of my home,” Symone Parker (10) said.

Before experiencing it, ourselves, many of us expect to only witness this when watching a movie or the daily news. We did not understand this feeling of hardship until we were getting calls from friends and family frantically yelling about the water rushing into their homes.

“I only had three minutes to get out so I packed my stuff, and then the National Guard came and took us to the shelter,” Parker (10) said.

Through this tragedy, almost all of us rejoiced when we surprisingly received two full days off of school because of the high level of water.

According to The Times, more than 100 people were evacuated from the Auburn Meadows subdivision, in Schererville, and another two dozen evacuated their homes in other parts of the town. Boats were being used to rescue people from their homes, and over 20 roads, deemed impassable by flooding, were closed.

Although many were delighted to spend two extra days at home, the reality was some peers and faculty members were left shocked with ruined or lost possessions and even damaged homes.

allie mender and colleen muelmurry



be shocked: Sitting on a bench, Jack Whittle (11), Matthew Bremer (12) and Derrick Bremer (11) are in previously dry North Gate Park. The heavy rains flooded many Northwest Indiana towns including Dyer and Munster.

be affected: With a disgusted look on his face, Jeffrey Nottingham (11) stands in knee-deep, polluted water from the flood. Many roads were closed due the high waters.

Photo Credit: Jeffrey Nottingham (11)



be shocked be moved be affected be in awe be shocked be dazzled be



“It would be amazing to me, to pass both of my honors classes with an A,”
paige creighton (10) said



“All of the TV’s and the new technology our school is spending money on is amazing,”
khadija farooq (11) said



“I think it’s amazing how big the school is with the freshmen center, the main building, the modulars, and the gyms. It’s giant,”
taylor triemstra (9) said



Nicole Gantz (12)



Brandon Hyzy (12)



Julia Cook (12)

"I got a full scholarship to IU. I got it for academics and extra curriculars. I actually want to go to Purdue Lafayette. I know I am accepted, but I just don't know if I have a scholarship yet," Gantz said.

"I got a scholarship at University of Missouri in St. Louis, where I qualified for the All-Access Award which covered my state tuition. I also got the Chancellor's Award which covered \$5,000," Hyzy said.

"I got the Excellence Scholarship from IU. It's for academics, and it gives me \$9,000 per year. I had to meet certain SAT and GPA requirements to get it," Cook said.



Christopher Johnson (12)



Matthew Schmidt (12)



Michael Radjenovic (11)



Ryan Hunter (11)

shifting score boards

Practice makes perfect. That's what "they" tell you, right? Well for Matthew Schmidt (12), Christopher Johnson (12), Ryan Hunter (11), and Michael Radjenovic (11), their hard work did, indeed, pay off. In the beginning of the 2008-2009 swim season, these four athletes set the standards high for their fellow teammates. "I was excited for myself and my teammates. We all tried our hardest and gave it all we had," Schmidt (12) said. Not only coming in first place in their event at the Boys Munster Relay Meet, they set a new relay record. "We worked together by pushing each other during practice. I felt accomplished when I found out about the record we broke," Radjenovic (11) said. Swimming the 400 Breaststroke Relay brought these four boys together to succeed.

got crowding?

1.) What was your first thought the first time you saw E-Hall? "I was kind of intimidated because it was so badly crowded," William Pollalis (9) said.

2.) What kind of shortcuts do you take to avoid crowding? "When it's warm, I cut through the court yard, but usually I take C-Hall into E-Hall," Meghan Blais (10) said.

3.) What's the worst part about the crowding? "The worst part is getting pushed and getting shoved into everyone else," Shannen Reynolds (11) said.



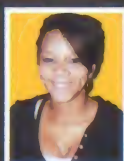
"I set and achieve goals for myself. Such traits are valuable in nearly every aspect of life,"
keertan kini (9) said



"I am amazed by how my friends have been there to support me through everything,"
zoe kontos (10) said



"I am amazed by the gradual increase in the number of students in the school each year,"
david picioski (10) said



"The fact that we have the first African-American president amazes me,"
brittany montgomery (11) said



"Senior year, you're tired of school already and you know you're going to college soon. You just feel like slacking off,"



"Ever since I got my letter (of acceptance), I have let my grades slip considerably,"



"I don't want to do anything anymore. I stay up late because I figure I can sleep in school,"

be exhausted be *heavy* be worn-out be drained be rushed be dead beat

be *tired*

I am always in a perpetual state of being tired, since I had my first child. I long for the days when I can sleep in past 6:30 in the morning,



David Zamora (12)



Thomas Paschen (11), Kennan Arvey (10)

rise and shine

It is 4:30 a.m. when your annoying alarm clock starts buzzing. While everyone is still sleeping, and the sun has not risen, the boys and girls swim teams awake for another morning practice.

"I go to sleep every night between 6:30pm, and 8:30pm. Every morning is just as bad as the one before. There is not much you can do to really prepare yourself except simply sleep more," Edward Willis (10) said.

Losing sleep is one of the disadvantages of being a dedicated swimmer. With long practices before school, and after, the swim team still needs to find time to keep up with school work and other outside activities.

"Swimming affects me at school because sometimes I get a boring class and just cannot stay awake. I do not have a job because of the time needed for swimming and school does not leave time for a job," Jeff Tharp (11) said.

The swimmers long for a few minutes of snooze time after a quiz or test.

"I try and get eight hours of sleep a night, so I usually am in bed by 8:00 pm. And if I have a rough night, I just hope I can get a quick nap in class," Tharp said.

The swim teams claims that the time used for morning practices is to recover from the practices after school.

"The morning practices are supposedly 'recovery' so the advantages are being able to recover from practice before, but they are still hard to get through," Willis said.

Even though being tired comes with being a swimmer, it pays off. Both the girls and boys swimming teams were ranked among the top three in The Region.

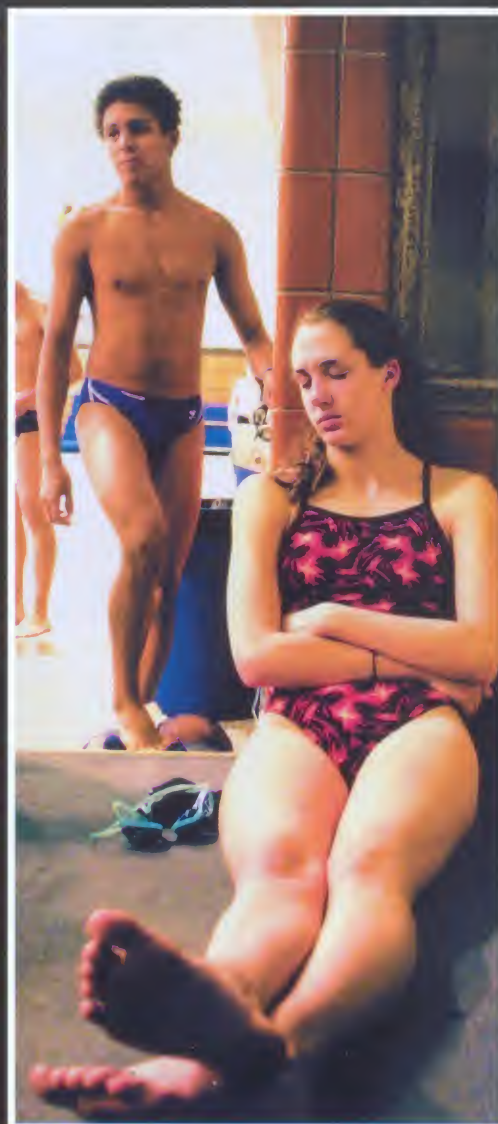
gemma noel and amanda welch



be exhausted: Camille Bobelenyi (10) swims during her morning practice. Practice started at 5:00 each morning.

be drained: Scout Demir (10), Abby Studzinski (10), and Elle Payonk (12) get ready after morning practice. The girls prepared for a long day at school.

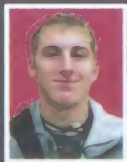
be worn out: Leslie Payonk (12) and Gilberto Barajas (10) prepare themselves for a long practice. Payonk used her the time to catch up on some sleep.





"Everyone says that senior year is the easiest and a blow-off, but it's definitely not,"

Kristina Williams (12) said



"I really worked hard before, but now senior year is relaxing, and I am taking it easy,"

Lyle Chevron (12) said



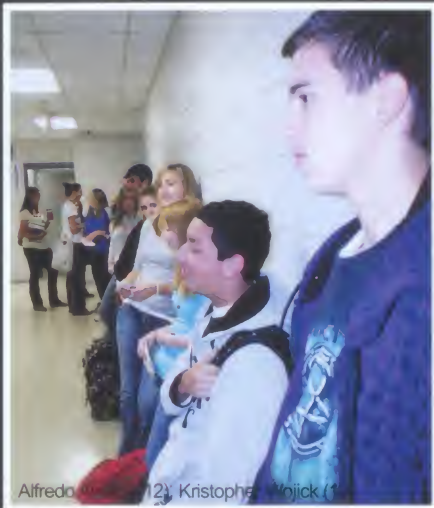
"It is a lot harder to get up in the morning. Senioritis effects laziness inside and outside of school,"

Nikolina Adjer (11) said

be *sleepy* be *trousy* be *fatigued* be *over worked* be *lazy* be *overrated*

wake-up call

Most teenagers wake up early to stand in lines for reasons like, black Friday shopping, concerts, and other extravagant activities. Who would have thought that teenage students would get to school as early as 6 a.m. for a school related activity? The students were waiting in line for an anatomy field trip to the cadaver lab. They waited in A-hall until their teacher Mrs. Nancy Hoban, science, arrived. Many students brought other things to do to pass time, but thought the wait was worth it. "The trip was a ton of fun, and well worth coming early; it was a fun experience being able to pick up human organs straight out of a cadaver," Lyle Chevron (12) said.



Alfredo (12), Kristopher Wojcik (12)



and (12), Katy Smolar (12), Rebecca Miedema (12), Kathleen Lanham (12)



Alyssa Rotondi (12), Matthew Jendowski (12)

practice makes perfect



Krista Tobin (9)



Alyssa Kasper (11), Katherine Milbrath (12)



"Guard is a really dedicated and hard-working activity to be in. All the hard work we put in from having practices every day, other than Sundays and Tuesdays really pays off. Practices can be really hard and tiring because we are pushed to strive for our best. Experiencing Color Guard has been a memorable and fun activity. You make many new friends and experience things a lot of other people don't get to experience. Guard has brought out the best in me," Krista Tobin (9) said.

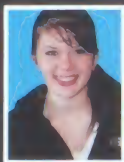
I mostly get tired during long lectures. I usually try to zone everything out, but it's like a constant ringing in my ears,

James Wangerom (11) said

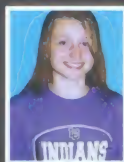
Nikolina Adjer (11)
black friday shopping adventure



got to michigan city mall at
11:30 p.m.
shopped in michigan city until
1:30 a.m.
arrived at westfield mall around
2:30 a.m.
slept in kohls parking lot until
4:30 a.m.
arrived back at the mall around
5:00 a.m.
arrived at target around
6:00 a.m.
went back to the mall around
7:00 a.m.
arrived home at
12:00 p.m.



"I don't know how the breakfast went because I didn't go to the student of the month breakfast, but I think it is a thoughtful idea," *jade blessing (9) said*



"I think it's a good idea to reward kids who really take school seriously," *juliana dosen (10) said*



"It's nice to know that our school appreciates how hard some of us work. It's great to know I've been recognized," *abby melvin (11) said*

be attentive be aware be careful be cautious be considerate be cooperative



Abbey Kelly (12) and Lauren Adamczewski (12) decided to visit the Shedd Aquarium and Gino's East in Chicago to go to celebrate Kelly's eighteenth birthday.



Adamczewski and Kelly finished walking through the Wild Reef exhibit. Abbey also brought along Neal Korlack (Hanover 12) and Stacy Sobek (12) to celebrate her birthday.



Kelly watches the Shedd's marine iguana swim right next to her face. "I had a good time downtown with my friends, all four of us are good friends, so no matter what we always have fun."

"To be thoughtful is to love and to love right, it's to think of yourself and everyone else all at the same time. Consider everything, and care for everyone, always."

megan stepanian (10) said



Rebecca McQuillen (12)
Lauren Dermody (12)



Kaitlyn Toczek (12)



Katherine



Nicholas McManamy (12)



Aanchal Sanghvi (12)
Kimberley Kovach (12)

volunteer chefs

"The National Honor Society (NHS) held a fundraiser to raise money for the Munster flood victims. The members of NHS had to wake up early in the morning and come to school to make waffles. We met in the cafeteria kitchen where we either took a waffle maker and made waffles or went into the freezer and collected milk. After the waffles were made, and the milk was put into the bins, three stations were set up. As people watched over the stations, others stayed to clean the kitchen. I did not really care about waking up early. My job only consisted of collecting the milk in the bins. I filled it up with ice and placed the milk in it. After I finished that, I helped to put the waffles into the trays that would be sent to the different stations throughout the school. Then I helped sell waffles in the Freshmen Center. I thought the whole experience was boring, but the fundraiser was a great idea," Patrick Lewis (12) said.



"I liked being recognized and rewarded with breakfast," *carolyn sawchick (10) said*



"The breakfast was really nice. It was organized and recognized the kids who try really hard at school," *domènec cichurillo (9) said*



"I think it's a good idea to reward the students that work hard in class. It can be stressful during school," *amber zerkman (11) said*

live be courteous be deliberate be friendly be helpful be unselfish

be thoughtful

"To be thoughtful means one who considers and anticipates the wants and needs of others. A thoughtful person understands that it is not always 'all about me.' They are generous, caring, compassionate, and sincere individuals," *mrs. dona martin math said*



Samantha Lunsford (10)



Keith Holem (11),
Isabella Juretic (12)



Natalie Geert (12)



be original : Amy McRam (12) explains her idea of a senior class shirt. Although McRam's ideas weren't chosen, each student who had an idea was considered.

be a leader: Britni Weiner (12), class president, relays the latest news about the senior class. Weiner was discussing the senior banquet theme.

be supportive: Members of the Senior Class Cabinet vote on possible theme ideas for the upcoming senior banquet. The members chose the theme from 1990.



class of '09

Senior Class Cabinet is a time where the seniors get together to come up with an extravagant banquet theme for the end of the year.

"A great idea gives off a great vibe for seniors throughout the year. Senior banquet is what seniors look forward to all year. It is such an exciting night, that a great theme helps make that night awesome," Britni Weiner (12) said.

Weiner's fellow seniors elected her as class president.

"I wanted to become the president of the Senior Class because I truly believe that as president I would be given the opportunity to make great things happen through our senior year. I felt confident that I would be able to handle all the responsibilities that come with president," Weiner said.

Getting everyone to agree on a theme idea or those beloved senior t-shirts is not quite an easy task.

"When topics come up about senior banquet or senior t-shirts, all of the class cabinet members have great ideas. Unfortunately, everyone cannot possibly agree on one idea. To make things fair, we base our decisions on a majority vote. This vote seems to work out for the best," Weiner said.

With all that said, bringing all the seniors together at the end of the year and remembering one of the most unforgettable nights is one task that Weiner plans on accomplishing.

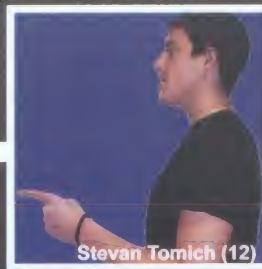
"As seniors, most of us have been looking forward to that night since our freshmen year. It is important to me to make sure that I try to meet everyone's expectations of such a fun night. Senior Banquet is one of our last chances for everyone to be gathered in the same room before our lives take different paths," Weiner said.

stacy sobek and samantha maloney

“My favorite kind of teachers are the ones who realize I only argue because I enjoy the subject,”
raymond smith (12) said



“My main competition is Steven Tomich (12). Only when I do better than him, do I feel accomplished. P.S., Steve, who’s NHS president? That’s what I thought.”



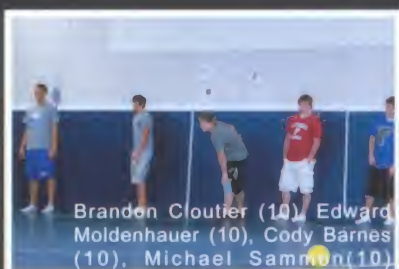
“My main competition is Andrew Srisuwananukorn (12). Only when I crush him into the dirt, do I feel accomplished. P.S., Andrew, who beat you in debate time after time?”



“When it comes to school and grades, I am a very competitive person. I don’t think that I try to do better than other students. Instead, I am in competition with myself.”



Sean Boyle (10), Alejandro Alvarez (10)



Brandon Cloutier (10), Edward Moldenhauer (10), Cody Barnes (10), Michael Sammon (10)



Ryan Ruiz (12), Hector Martinez (12)

get competitive

For most students, lunch hour is the best part of the day. For a handful of students, dodgeball is more important.

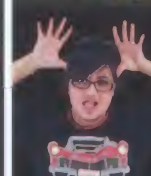
This competitive event of dodgeball took place during all lunch hours, and the teams met in the upper part of the gym. One team in particular was extremely competitive. This team consisted of Brandon Cloutier (10), Steven Newell (10), Cody Barnes (10), Edward Moldenhauer (10), Mena Dous (10), Mike Sammon (10), and Sam Pattison (10). The boys named their team the BCBallas.

Moldenhauer took dodgeball very seriously. He even made Steven Letz (10), of the Gucci Bandanas, cry. Moldenhauer said, “Of course [I am the best]. I took on an entire team by myself.”

The BCBallas won the entire tournament, and the team feels that they all were very competitive during the dodgeball games.

debate it!

let's talk debate



“Congress is just about as challenging as Lincoln-Douglas, but it is a lot more time consuming. In Lincoln-Douglas, you only talk on one topic, but in Congress you could talk about three different topics in a day. With six or more topics, you really have to know your stuff,”
hannah nava (10) said

“Lincoln Douglas is an superior debate division because it is more philosophical and less concrete. The time given to speak is much longer than compared to PF, or Congress. LD is less factual, so I can put my opinion with some of my facts, and it can be a legal argument,”

nicholas griffiths (10) said



“You have a partner, so you’re not always by yourself, so that’s pretty cool. We go against other teams on specific topics. It’s pretty heated. You have to prove your side is right. My favorite part is cross-examination,”
meghan blais (10) said



“I play for the Blazers. [My favorite aspect about Biddy Ball is the] post game pep talks with Coach Lisek. I know we’re the best because we have the Bobby Knight of Biddy Ball coaches,”
garrett nosal (12) said



“My team is going to be the best because all the girls on my team work really hard together. I love all the girls on the team and the sport itself. I would rather play Biddy Ball because it’s less pressure,”
ericka markiewicz (12) said



“[I play for] the Blazers. I know we’re the best team, no doubt. [I would rather play] Biddy Ball because there is probably not enough talent at the high school level for me,”
kyle lisek (11) said

be competitive

Usually the first thing that comes to mind when one thinks about being competitive is winning the game, being successful at a meet, or earning first chair, but I believe being competitive goes beyond that. Being competitive is an attitude; the attitude where a person will accept nothing less than being their best and reaching their personal or team goals.

mr. joshua hewing english said



Girls Basketball Team



Mr. Mark Urban,
Physical Education



Cheerleading Team

taking a challenge

Homecoming week is a time of the year for some to gather up their spirit and go out and support the school. New this year, the Volleyball Challenge brought out a large number of students to support the volley ball team and Matt Wesley ('08), who was injured during football practice last year, as well as, get pumped up for the events of Homecoming week.

The volleyball challenge was more than just a typical fundraiser. It brought students and teachers together in hopes of winning this competitive challenge.

"We were the best. We just did not try hard enough. We had all the best athletes," Dillion Jamroz (12) said.

Even before the games started the teams were warming up with stretches or practicing on the court. This seemed to tire out the the "G" team and cause them to not to be as energized.

"[We did not win any games], we were tired from lifting before the games," Matthew Michalak (12) said.

Both Michalak and Jamroz believe that the only reason their teams lost was because of the referee. The team that seemed to stand out the most was the physical education staff that dominated the courts.

"The P.E. staff [won]. What do you expect when you have 30 year old male, almost professional, volley ball players up against 18 year olds?" Michalak said.

Although Michalak's team did not come in first like they thought, the boys still believe that they played their best and won.

"[Our team placed] first in our hearts," Michalak said.

This event had a successful turn out and gave the student body a chance to show that they are competitive, that they support their school, and that they were ready for Homecoming.

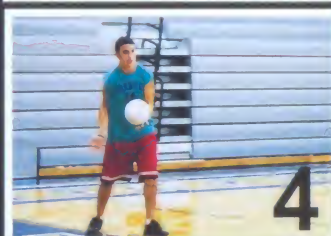
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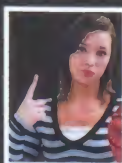
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1. be ready: Dillion Jamroz (12), Jonathan Hurley (12), and Tylor Foster (12) get ready for the ball to come to their side of the net. The boys ended up winning one game at the Volleyball Challenge.

2. be observant: Two teams fight over a bad call made by the referee. The team thought that the call was unfair and that they deserved the point, but they walked away with good sportsmanship.

3. be extreme: Throughout the Volleyball Challenge, the boys start becoming extremely competitive. Matthew Michalak (12) spiked the ball into the net and failed to score any points for his team.

4. be a team: Being part of a team requires group and individual effort. Haralam-bos Tsiakopoulos (9) served the ball in hopes to score against their opponents.



"[I think my team is going to be the best] because we have a lot of good players, and we are all pretty competitive when it comes to winning. I would rather play Biddy Ball because there's less practicing."

barbara vach (11) said



"I have been playing for years. All of my friends play. We have a lot of fun. I liked playing for both. Biddy Ball is less stressful. It is a lot more relaxed. It's just for fun."

colleen maloney (12) said



"[I play for the] Utah Jazz. We're definitely the best team, no doubt. [My favorite aspect is] coaches in-game pep talks. Biddy Ball is a lot a easier [and] less running."

marko beader (12) said



"Being creative is not only appreciating the arts, but also being able to deeply express yourself through music, art, pictures, etc. I express myself through music; it is a universal language," *zachary nava (11) said*



"I define creativity as a sixth sense. I express myself through music. I want to change the world with my music. It's an imaginary goal, but still something to strive for. If music was a body, creativity would be the head," *anthony calabria (12) said*



"Creativity is anything altered from originality and basically saying that I have a mind of my own. Nobody can think of the same thing as somebody else. I try not to be a conformist and a product of my environment," *zachary shutoski (10) said*

be expressive be unique be original be imaginative be innovative

be creative

"Creativity is the ability to take an idea, whether it is a new idea or an old idea and change it into your own vision. It is different than what it was before. I think we have to be able to think beyond the box. If you don't, you're stuck with the same old thing we always had - same problems, same solutions." *mrs. maureen yaeger ceramics said*



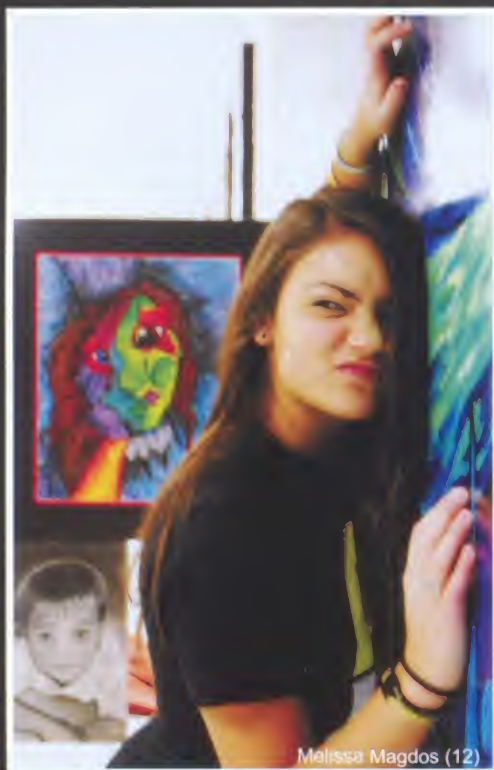
Elizabeth Crabtree (12) and Michelle Bushey (12)



Darian Gish (10)



Steven Stepnoski (11)



Melissa Magdos (12)



Art Credit: Melissa Magdos



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Melissa Magdos (12)



Art Credit: Melissa Magdos

oodles of doodles

think of all of your friends, and at least one of them has a nickname. It's usually something logical, though. Well meet Doodle, or more formally, Melissa Magdos (12). Doodle's senior shirt says 'Doodle' on it. In fact, Doodle has five books chock-full of drawings which she started sophomore year, a hobby that began a long time ago.

"I've been doodling since elementary school. I started [the books] sophomore year because freshmen year I never had any paper to work with," Magdos said.

Her books are laced with drawings that originate from every point in her life. It's like entering a different world where everything is symbolized and hidden meaning is the ground you walk on.

"Pretty much everything that happened from sophomore year up 'til now is in there - the good, the bad, you can tell by the drawings. You get to express your feelings. I use a lot of symbols and hidden meanings that require interpretation. It is anything you want it to be."

She doesn't just doodle, though. Here at Lake Central, she has taken Art I, Art II, Art III, and 3D Art, and she is currently in Art IV and Advanced 3D Art. As far as her favorites go, Magdos enjoys drawing with oil pastel and charcoal the most.

"Oil pastel is between crayon and chalk. It's easy to mix. I did an abstract portrait of myself in oil pastel, and I did a charcoal portrait of my baby cousin too."

As for the future, Magdos will be attending Ball State University's Art Program and plans on majoring in art education to be a high school art teacher. And who knows, maybe you'll be seeing her again with your kids, meeting their creative art teacher, Miss Melissa Magdos.

chris perez and jennifer gamboa



"Creativity is using your imagination to do something you love and being original and having imagination. Without it we wouldn't have art, movies, or music. Everyone is creative in their own way,"
dana payonk (11) said



"Being creative means that you don't follow the crowd, and you do what you want. Without creativity, I wouldn't be able to have fun with what I do because there are no rules with art and there never should be,"
nathan rohrbacher (12) said



"Being creative is when you take something you love (music, art, photography, etc.) and make it unique. Everyone is creative in their own way even if they don't have any artistic ability,"
staci hearne (9) said

be *ingenious* be *fresh* be *an individual* be *new* be *revolutionary* be *hi*



i am a graffiti artist

age: 15
uses:
 spray paint, DECO
 paint markers.
writes on:
 anything with free space

"I write anything that's meaningful, any word that's meaningful. A tag is an artists signature. This is my tag."



christian medina (10)



Stephen Garcia (11)



Joeseeph Hejl (10)



Kelleigh Romba (11)



Jovana Bukarica (11)

cre-a-tive \ (krē-ā'tiv)

Not everyone is an artist, and some of us are still inclined to draw stick figures. But, that doesn't mean we don't have any creativity. Webster goes as far as to vaguely say that creativity is "the quality of being creative." Thanks for the help. If we can't even define it, how can some people have it and others not?

"Creativity is a big deal. People are creative out of respect for creativity and everyone can do it in their own way. If everything was the same life would be boring," Stephen Garcia (11) said.

Whether they draw, act, carve, strum, paint, film, snap, craft, write, talk, play, or even think it out, students are expressing that inner creativity. Each perceives the world in our own way and express ourselves accordingly. It just happens to come in so many different forms that it is nearly impossible to define.



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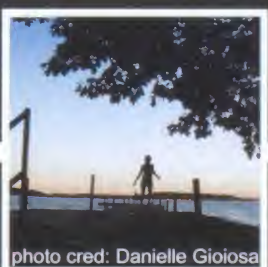


photo cred: Danielle Gioiosa



photo cred: Tom Clark

"I like taking pictures of wildlife, flowers, bugs, and architecture. [This picture] won Best of Show at the Porter County Garden Show,"
mr. ray lentz science said

"I enjoy photography because my dream is to see the world through a viewfinder, and I plan on making that dream a reality,"
danielle gioiosa (10) said

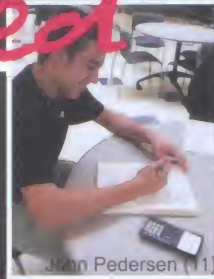
"I love taking pictures in Afghanistan. That was part of my job [in the Nation Guard]. I was the base historian and the photographer,"
mr. tom clark social studies said

"Creativity is what makes us breathe and think and continue,"
steven rymne (10) said

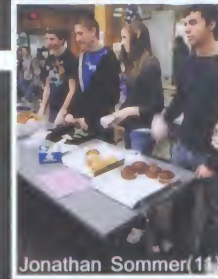
be dedicated

be Dedication, to me, means that a person identifies their goal. They must be focused and consistent in obtaining that goal, and must also be ethical.

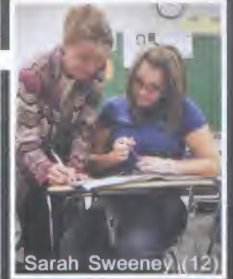
Mrs. Penny Tokoly, English



John Pedersen (11)



Jonathan Sommer (11)



Sarah Sweeney (12)

devoted future

Come to school, stay until 10:21a.m. Leave school and go to your future career choice. Who wouldn't want to do that? Christy Paulauski (12), Cameron Duncan (12), and Tara Barnes (12) are three people that take advantage of the intern program. Paulauski student teaches for Mrs. Pam Hoffmaster at Kohling Elementry.

"I start my day out with grading papers while the class is reading. Next, I have a study group with four students, and I teach them science. I answer questions that the students have and give spelling tests once a week," Paulauski said.

She is preparing for her teaching career. This program allows her to get hands on experience with the children and also gives her an idea of how things will work when she's out of college. These programs also look great on college resumes. Cameron Duncan has the privilege of interning at the Lake County Sheriff's Department.

"Each month I do something different. I have been to places like the Crime Lab, Marina Jail, and on Patrol. I do a lot of interesting things there and get a first hand experience on what they actually do," Duncan said.

Tara Barnes is interning in the Labor and Delivery Department at St. Margaret Mercy Hospital, Hammond Campus. She is able to take vitals, help admit patients, monitor the babies heart tones and contractions.

"I absolutely love my internship because it allows me to see the joys of being a nurse. Every day I get to feel an accomplishment, knowing that I helped to bring a new person into the world, and the feeling is incredible," Barnes said.

These three people show their dedication to their goals in life by getting started right away in the career field they eventually want to end up.

Brittany Bencur and Rebecka Kasper



Christy Paulauski (12)



Cameron Duncan (12)



Tara Barnes (12)



be helpful: Christy Paulauski (12) helps Shannon, a Westlake student at Kohling Elementary School, with her reading lesson. Paulauski enjoyed seeing Shannon and helping her with her school work.

be asertive: Cameron Duncan (12) goes out on patrols with officers from the Lake County Sheriff Department. He looked forward to persuing a career in Criminal Justice after high school.



be ready be faithful be devoted be steadfast be unswerving be zealous



"Being dedicated means putting your heart into something and really working hard for it. I'm dedicated to softball."

explains mikolajczyk (11) said



"I'm dedicated to softball and horseback riding. I work hard at what I do and make sure I do my best."

kimberly moreland (10) said



"I'm dedicated to the hockey team by showing up to all of my practices and giving 100% effort to make my team better."

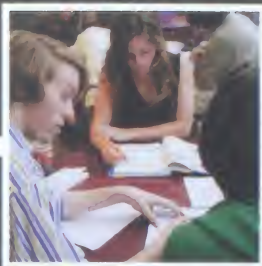
ian mcambridge (11) said



Mariyah Balthis (11) applies Lisa Zandy's (11) make-up for the fall play. They are both dedicated to being apart of the Lake Central Theater Company.



Steven Stepnoski (11) plays his guitar at the Battle of the Bands. Stepnoski is dedicated to the guitar because he can not play the trumpet.



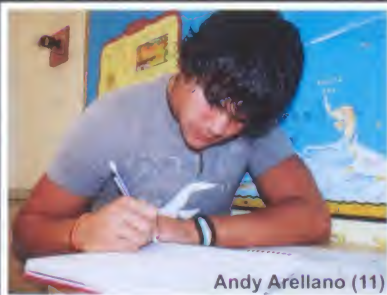
Zachary Adamczyk (12) is tutoring other students in French. He is dedicated to becoming a French teacher after he graduates.



Lindsey Prendergast (11)



Chris Russell (11)



Andy Arellano (11)

the work never stops

Throughout the school year, students work extra hard to accomplish their goals. Whether they're studying for Science or perfecting an art project, they are dedicated to learn many different subjects. "I like ceramics because you get to use your imagination," Chris Russell (11) said. Art is a fun and easy way to express yourself, while also being a good student. In a chemistry lab students must be very attentive and follow directions to attain the correct outcome. But students must also have fun while in the class. "I liked the chemistry lab because I liked the pretty colors," Lindsey Prendergast (11) said. The class was learning what colors different chemicals made. An essential student is one who does their homework, studies for tests, and ultimately enjoys learning. Students who accomplish these are truly dedicated to their future.

**how you can
be dedicated**
Think you know? Read this first

● FIND YOUR PASSION.

There is a little passion in all of us, all you have to do is find it. "Try different things out untill you find something you like, do what your heart desires," Megan Hammer (11) said.

● GET THE FEEL FOR IT.

Things may become hard, but the best goals take a long time to acheive. "You have to want it bad enough and do whatever it takes," Allyce Gargas (11)said.

● JUST DO IT.

"Put everything you have into what you do. Put your heart into it, and give it all you got," said Marisa Palacios (9).

"Volleyball takes a lot of hard work and dedication. You have to stay positive and be confident in yourself when you're on the court,"
madisen reder (11) said



"Dedicated means doing something I love and putting everything I got into it. In the football season, I'm dedicated to being a trainer,"
brittany massey (11) said



"I am dedicated to my Girl Scout troop and the Theater Company. Being dedicated means putting all your time and effort into what you do,"
china chigerfeldt (11) said



"I am very dedicated to being Pro-Life. I've gone to the Pro-Life march in Washington D.C. twice now, and I've prayed outside abortion clinics,"
kristina hammerling (11) said

“Why would you go to college when you can make so much money in a union?”

William Venturelli (11) said



Jason Skowronski (12) and Anthony Driscoll (12)



Michael Osborn (11)



Jessica Gaslorek (12)

let's get serious: auto class

■ “This is our regular class. It gives you more options. Kids who sit in classes like English want to do this, but don't really know how. This class has taught me things I didn't know,” Edward Kaeser (11) said.

■ “Between this and my job at AutoMoto, I've learned a decent amount. It's not as easy as it looks,” Jeremy Koepl said.

■ “You have to know a lot about cars or you will learn a lot [in this class]. Auto takes a lot of patience,” Kaeser (11) said.

■ “[I took this class] because after high school I want to go to tradeschool to become a mechanic and work on diesel,” Koepl said.

■ “I'm going directly into the work force. I got a job at Lake Cycle through this program and that's where I'm going to work after high school. They are going to send me to Honda school to get certified. It basically means you get more money. [Going to college versus going into the work force] depends on the person,” Matthew Sokol (12) said.

how to be ambitious

students who are in AP and honors courses explain what it takes to succeed



Bridget Seavey (11)

“I took AP Psychology Junior



Kathryn Boyle (12)

year because it actually challenged me. It was more than I thought, but I made lots of notecards. I think it's [taking AP and honors classes] is worth while because when you go to college, you're ready for all the papers you have to write and work

you have to do,” Kathryn Boyle (12) said.



Megan Bereda (9) and Hillary Campbell (9)



Angela Gallagher (12)



Kyle Pratt (12) and Andrew Siegle (12)



Brooke Podowski (10)



Thomas Fitzpatrick (12)



Nathan Lomowski (12) and Roger Sammon (12)



Andrea Schmidt (11)

“Dressing up for The Dark Knight was a different experience. It was weird being the only two people dressed up in the movies and having people staring at us. I liked dressing up for the Dark Knight because I got to do it with my best friend, and it was something that I have never done before,” Andrea Schmidt (11) said.



Alexis Palkovich (11)

“Dressing up as the Joker for The Dark Knight Premiere was really fun. We went to the 12:03 a.m. show, and we had to stand in a long line. When we got there people stared, and even my friends couldn't tell who it was. I think it made the movie a lot more fun to watch,” Alexis Palkovich (11) said.

being unique girls dress up as leading characters from The Dark Knight for the movie's premiere

be bound be sincere be determined be pokerfaced be earnest be stern



“I take school very seriously. I do all of my homework and study for every quiz because I want to get into a good school. I've never failed a test over a book before. I usually never miss a point,” Nolan Mancera (11) said



“I've always taken school seriously, and I still do. I still study, but I've been lazy [being that it is my senior year.] I enjoy AP Calculus because I sleep in there all day, but I still get an A in the class,” Egor Thomas (12) said



“I don't really have time to study because I'm a three sport athlete, but I try to prioritize. I try to get all the things done. I really enjoy Chemistry with Mr. [Kendal] Smith, and I'm really excited for AP chem [next year],” Kristy Jackson (11) said

be *serious*

"In order to fully experience our lives we must be open to the lessons that life, in its every form and phase, offers to teach us."

ms penny tokoly english said

"Life needs balance. If everything is so serious, you never get a chance to act like a kid."

ms alyan scotch social studies said



Grace Myers (12)



Jonathan Hurley (12)



Robert Morris (11)

"why so serious?"

as seen in 1st edition of 2008-2009 school

When Christopher Nolan directed the 2005 critically acclaimed revamp on the Batman series, *Batman Begins*, he merely touched the tip of the iceberg. Nolan's sequel *The Dark Knight* which released on July 18 reached the tip of the iceberg and just kept getting better.

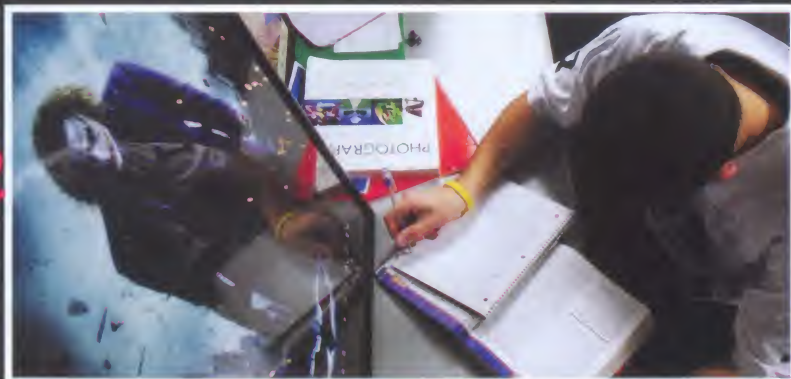
The Dark Knight brought back most of the original cast with Batman played by Christian Bale, Lieutenant/Commissioner Gordon played by Gary Oldman, Alfred played by Michael Caine and Lucius Fox played by Morgan Freeman. The three new members of the ensemble are Heath Ledger as The Joker, Aaron Eckhart as District Attorney Harvey Dent and Maggie Gyllenhaal as Rachel Dawes.

After the unexpected death of Heath Ledger in late January, the buzz for *The Dark Knight* grew to huge expectations. The movie itself lived up to these expectations, but Ledger's performance as The Joker topped any expectations that could have been built up. Nolan's version of the Batman series is a darker more demented version of Batman than the previous bubble gum versions. If there ever were a character in a movie that defined demented and dark, Ledger's Joker is that definition.

Ledger gives an outstanding take on the classic batman villain. The Joker is not only a murdering psychopath, but he also is a very intelligent villain. The area in which Ledger really succeeded in this role was the little things he did either while talking or in his movements. It could have been something simple like the constant licking of his scarred lips while talking or the way he sort of waddles out of a hospital while it is blowing up behind him...

Overall, *The Dark Knight* was the best movie of the summer and so far has my vote for best movie of 2008. It's character development, top notch acting and mind blowing visuals make this not only a must see but a must see again and again," Matthew Cashen (12) said.

jeremy harrison and emily levin



1. **be a joker:** Zachary Adamczyk (12) does his best impression of Heath Ledger's Joker for Halloween. Ledger died before the release of *The Dark Knight* due to an accidental drug overdose.

2. **be famous:** David Samardzija (12) studies in the shadow of the Joker. *The Dark Knight* opened on July 18 and grossed over 150 million dollars during its first weekend in theaters.

be *austere* be *resolute* be *deliberate* be *thoughtful* be *cynical* be *serious*



"I don't take school as seriously as I should. I do well, though. I could pay attention in class more. I like Geometry because it's interesting."

anna weber (9) said



"I take school pretty seriously so I can get good grades and get into college. I study for all of my tests, but you have a lot more homework as a freshman [compared to middle school]."

aiden boyle (9) said



"I take school very seriously. I study and do all of my homework. I normally look at difficult math examples instead of reading how to do it. I use flash cards for basically everything. I work better and focus more at night, too."

rachel giese (9) said



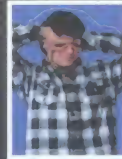
"Being free is being independent. You can do whatever you want, and you have all your rights,"

Lauren Barbosa (9) said



"Freedom is being able to decide for yourself and not have anyone influence your decisions,"

Jessica Kowalski (9) said



"When there are no laws, that is being free. Many things that are illegal, now, restrict freedom,"

Austin Casady (9) said

be *costless* be *easy* be *casual* be *relaxed* be *unconfined* be *nothing* be

freefalling



I started gymnastics when I was four. It's an adrenaline rush and it's a good way to release anger.

Gymnastics is calming because I can put all my anger into what I'm doing and I feel better. It's an escape from stress. When I'm feeling overwhelmed with school, it's a way to get away from everything and do what I love. My favorite aspect of gymnastics is when I do my tricks I feel like I'm flying.

Interview with Rebecca Schymanski (12)

flying



let it snow

"In my free time on snow days, I like to play in the street to wake him up early run in the wilderness with Trixie, my friend Kyle Stancy's (9) dog,"

Ryan Hulmer (9)

"I like to bundle up and run across the street to wake him up early and tell him that school has been cancelled,"

Thomas Maloney (9)

With four snow days, students had a lot of free time on their hands. While some played in the snow, others spent their time inside. These snow days provided students with an unexpected freedom to do as they please.

free ride

"I'm sponsored for racing ATV motocross. My sponsors are Wolfpack Racing, Fly Racing, ODI Grips, KBC Helmets, Xtreme Motor Company, Dunlop Tires, XFR Fabrication Products, and Ed Hardey. I got my first sponsor in 6th grade, but I get new sponsors every year now. I realized the opportunity to be sponsored by talking to the owners of businesses and showing them my abilities. They give me free ATVs, helmets, tires and racing gear. I get most of the parts that I need for free before my racing season starts, but if a part breaks during the racing season, then I get a replacement when it breaks. I've saved \$20,000 by being sponsored by various companies," Robert Slevnik (11) said.



Robert Slevnik (10)



Robert Slevnik (10)



Robert Slevnik (10)



"When I think of freedom, I think of the United States and being independent,"
Desiree Meyer (12) said



"Being free is going to bed whenever I want, no socks, and no showers. Freedom is wonderful. It's flying without wings,"
Desiree Meyer (12) said



"Freedom is having the house to myself, the car to myself, and swimming in a pool by myself,"
Desiree Meyer (12) said

open be self-ruling be liberated be separate be independent be able

be free

True freedom can only be equated with 'doing anything you want' if those actions are not harmful and will not negatively impact or encumber the rights, safety, wealth and health of others. In a perfect world, rules and laws might not be necessary, but unfortunately, in our world, the 'real' world, some people, if left to their own devices, could (any probably would) make personal choices, that would indeed impact and infringe on the freedoms of others.

Ms. Chris Cottle, Economics said

free to feel

during the hours of 7:15 a.m. to 2:09 p.m., students' freedom of self-expression is limited by school rules. In and out of school, students still find a variety of outlets to express who they are and how they feel.

"For me, acting is the rush of having 500 people watching me and being able to make them laugh and make them cry. In theater, we say to leave everything at the door. Theater is about coming in and letting everything go and being free to act," Mitchell Anthony (12) said.

Students are able to use their expressions, emotions, and personal freedoms through a variety of unique abilities that they possess.

"I express passion when I play. I'm free when I'm playing the music because I can do whatever I want. No one can hold me back when I'm playing because I'm the only one playing the instrument," Steve Roldan (12) said.

How a student presents himself or herself may be representative of many aspects of his or her individual personality.

"It's you. What you wear and what you do with your appearance defines what you are, who you are, and possibly your ideas and beliefs. It frees people because they can take their ideas and creativity and put it into their hair," Amanda Unhock (12) said.

Students are able to freely use their talents to express their feelings to one another as well as to express how they feel about one another to onlookers.

"On Colorguard, I get to express emotionally to the crowd how I feel. This years show is about friendship, so it's nice to be able to express to the crowd how we feel about each other," Desiree Meyer (12) said.

Morgan Goldsmith and Nina DiMaggio



Jonathan McFarland (12)



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1. be musical: Stephen Roldan (12) is practicing playing the drums in preparation for attending Columbia College in Chicago next fall. Roldan has played the drums for eight years as he followed in the footsteps of his father and brother.

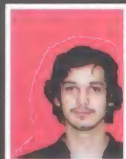
2. be styled: Amanda Unhock (12) utilizes the hair techniques on her sister that she learned at Hart Street Salon. "Being in the industry allows me to help people who can't express themselves through their appearance to do so," Unhock said.

3. be dramatic: Mitchell Anthony (12) performs during practice for the upcoming play *Beauty and the Beast*. Anthony has been involved in theater since elementary school, and this will be his last high school performance.

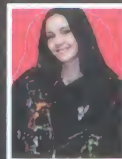
4. be passionate: Desiree Meyer (12) practices throwing her gun for colorguard. "I've been on colorguard for four years. It was something my friends and I decided to try out for. I'm hoping to march a drum core during summer and an independent winter guard this winter," Meyer (12) said.



"If I could ask anything to anything, I would want to know who really killed Tupac because he was a good rapper, and I miss him," *jacob plushkin (9) said*

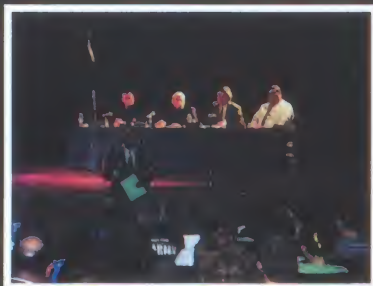


"I would probably ask Jesus, what he fully ate for his last supper, and what he drank also," *gregory nagy (12) said*



"I would ask Blagojevich what he was thinking when he blew his final and last chance to clear his name and his reputation as a person," *alexis hoy (12) said*

be analytical be *sure* be pondering be eager be meddlesome be aware



"As a freshman, I have not yet experienced all of Lake Central, but I do notice the lack of classrooms we have as well as the need for improved athletic facilities. I feel the referendum will take major effects of the class 2012 because we will see most of the work in process. I would definitely vote yes for the referendum," *Marko Tomich (9) said*



curious about the master plan?

expansion

- A new main entry to building
- New administration building
- 24 New Classrooms
- A dedicated 9th grade center
- Wider hallways
- New science labs
- New auditorium
- Expanded cafeteria
- Full building fire protection
- Efficient two way traffic pattern
- Improved ventilation
- Energy efficient systems
- Upgrade electrical systems

athletics

- Combine track and field
- Additional seating to gymnasium

"I stay curious about school by trying to apply different things I learn in school to everyday situations," *allison penilla (12) said*



"I have been a Curious George fan since I was a child. I love the little story behind the character. During WWII H.A. Rey and his wife, the writers, hid out from the Nazi's."



"When they were in danger they took two bikes, a little food, some clothing, and their Curious George manuscripts. This is why there are only a handful of stories."



"I just love the way George gets into everything and makes it fun. It is just his nature to be curious about everything. That reminds me of myself. I think I'm curious too."

mrs. vivian velasco, facs. said

everyone's wondering?

when will it end?
Due to the many school cancellings this year, Summer vacation is starting to seem like it's never going to come.



The snow days were cool the day they happened, but they weren't as cool because, you have to make them up," *seth frey (11) said*



"I really wish we didn't have to make up all those days because, once it gets even closer to the end of the year and we really want to be out of school, we're going to have to be there for basically a whole extra week," *kelsie schultz (10) said*



participants

science fair
trisha shanahan
anita thomas



trisha's project:

"It's called 'Under Pressure.' I wanted to find ways to relieve high blood pressure; what causes it and what relieves it."

anita's project:

"My project explored the Earth. I came up with the idea for my project just through exploration of my own interests."



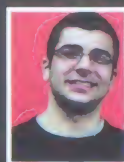
"I would want to know does 'Nessi,' the lochness monster, really exist. I've always been really curious about that,"

Kelli Marx (14) said



"If I got to ask anything in the world, I would ask why life is so short. Time flies by so fast, I just don't understand,"

Ryan McCabe (12) said



"I would like to ask President Lincoln what he was thinking because that top hat he wears is ridiculous,"

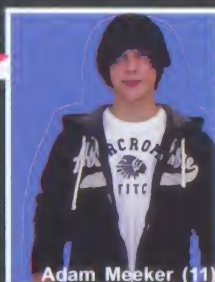
Eric Hurman (12) said

be *investigative* be *questioning* be *inquisitive* be *curious* be *aware*

be *curious*

"Being curious is the who, what, where, when and why of a situation and of life. Without curiosity, we will never learn and grow in life."

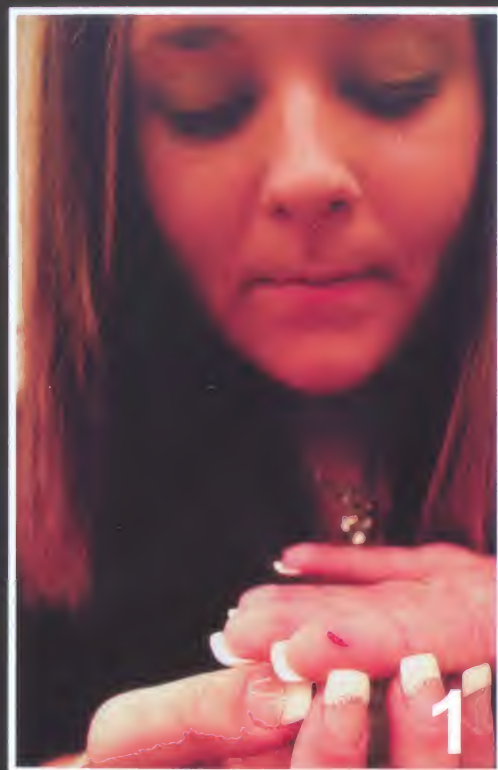
Mrs. Rose Brumm, office staff said



Adam Meeker (11)



Kyle Syling (12)



what's your type?

It's been with us our whole lives. In fact, it's quite a vital part of what makes us, us. How many of us actually know what our blood type is, though? Students in Mrs. Nancy Hoban's Anatomy classes did a lab to figure out exactly what the deal is with that red stuff that keeps us alive.

"Your blood type tells doctors what kinds of blood types can kill you, and what blood you can have in order to save your life. You can die if given the wrong type of blood. It is really important for us to know what can and will kill us," Kristin Greenwood (12), who is B positive, said.

The process of finding out one's blood type is simpler than one might expect. In a matter of minutes, students were able to find out the basic work up of their blood.

"I had to prick my finger to collect my blood and mix it with certain antigens to see what causes an agglutination of my blood," Alex Lang (12), who is A positive, said.

The students mixed the blood from their fingers in trays with different A, B, and Rh antigens. The antigens are agents that cause the blood react and clump, or agglutinate, if that antigen is present in the blood. To get blood for the samples, students had to prick their own finger with a sterilized blade. They, then, transferred their blood to the typing trays, hemoglobin paper to measure oxygen, and a small tube to find their hematocrit, a measurement that shows how many red blood cells, white blood cells, and plasma is in the blood.

"I was surprised that such a small cut could bleed so much. I kind of hesitated to cut myself, but I realized it wasn't that big of a deal and just did it," Alex Pavlakis (12), who is A positive, said.

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1. **be pricked:** Melanie Handlon (12) 'milks' her finger after pricking it with a sterilized needle in Mrs. Nancy Hoban's, science, fifth hour Anatomy class. The students had to prick their fingers in order to type their blood and complete other experiments.

2. **be A positive:** A bottle of anti-A serum sits on a lab table. Once students pricked their fingers, they had to put their blood in a tray and add three different drops of serums to it: anti-A, anti-B, and Rh. The anti-A serum was used to determine if they were A positive.

3. **be clumped:** Mrs. Nancy Hoban, science, mixes a drop of blood with the anti-B serum. The blood had to be mixed thoroughly with the serums to see if they would clump. Clumping in the serum mixture would indicate a positive and the presence of that particular antigen.

4. **be seperated:** Mrs. Nancy Hoban, science, measures the hemotocrit of a sample of blood. After being put through a centrifuge, a machine that spins the blood, the blood is able to be looked at in three separate parts: red blood cells, the buffy coat, and plasma.



"Every morning I wake up at 6 a.m., jump into the shower at 6:10 a.m., catch the bus at 6:35 a.m., arrive at school at 6:50 a.m., and hang out until the bell at 7:15 a.m.,"

Sam Samardzija (12) said



"I wake up at 5:30 a.m., shower at 5:40 a.m., hang out until the bus comes, catch the bus at 6:20 a.m. Hang out with my friends in the freshmen center until the bell,"

David Smotr (12) said



"I wake up at 5:45 a.m., wet my hair, if I need to, eat breakfast at 6 a.m. Catch the bus at 6:40 a.m., and arrive at school around 6:55 a.m.,"

Joseph Samardzija (12) said

be early be late be prompt be punctual be on-top-of-things be efficient

be

on time

Being on time means you do not keep people waiting. It means you are courteous, polite, and responsible. But most of all, it means you are not late.

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Ashley Rodgers (10)



Abigail Rowley (11)



Nina Erler (12)

checking the timer

The buzzer is ringing, and finally, that cinnamon puff or apple pie you have been dying to eat is ready to be taken out of the oven at the right time to make sure it is just perfect.

"If you're off with your cooking time you can mess the entire meal up by being just a couple minutes off," David Samardzija (12) said.

Along with mixing the right ingredients together, being on time is an essential part to the cooking process.

"It's important to be on time while cooking because certain things needed to be added at a certain point," Joseph Smotr (12) said.

Timing while you're cooking is a major part to making sure everything turns out just the way students wanted it to. Not only can affect the way the dish tastes, it can also affect your grade.

"Being on time can affect the grade because it depends on how well or quickly you cook and make the food," Smotr said.

Cooking, however, is much more than being on time. Sometimes it's even more than a class; it's a potential career option.

"[I chose to take cooking] because I want a career in the culinary arts," Daniel Tirado-Barbauld (10) said.

Sometimes, though, it's not always about the future, it's about making that perfect dish.

"I probably wouldn't choose to be a chef because cooking is more of a hobby for me than what I would want in a job. My favorite thing to make in cooking was pizza in Foods I because it turned out perfect. We took pictures and everything," Samara Candreva (11) said.

Whether it's for your grade, your future career, or your perfect pizza, being on time is more than important if you want to smell that aroma of freshly baked cookies as opposed to burnt lumps of batter.

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1.

Joseph Smotr (12) and David Samardzija (12) cut fruit in cooking to prepare for their meal of tropical chicken. "Tropical chicken was not only fun, but festive," Samardzija (12) said.

2.

Kenneth Drenth (12) and Kathryn Warner (11) get ready to put their cinnamon puff's into the oven for an in school treat. Cinnamon puffs can be used not only as a breakfast food, but also can fill a sweet tooth craving.

3.

Stephen Roldan (12) and Dana Garibay (10) work together to finish their cinnamon muffins. The class split up the work load so that everyone got a chance to finish their muffins in one period.

4.

Daniel Tirado-Barbauld (10) and Samara Candreva (11) quench their thirst by pouring orange juice after making their Egg McMuffins in cooking class. "I thought cooking would be a fun class to take and eating is always good," Samara Candreva (10) said.



2



3



4



"I wake up at 6:10 a.m., shower, straighten my hair, just generally get ready for the school day, and then I wait for my ride from Shelby Hansen (11),"

William Melaburfi (11) said



"I wake up at around 5:30 a.m. and shower. I brush my teeth, get dressed, walk to my bus, which picks me up at my house at 6:20 a.m. I talk to my friends in the town hall before school then go to my first hour, foods,"

William Melaburfi (11) said



"I get up at 5:30 a.m., shower, and get dressed. I watch the news and eat cereal before I catch the bus at 6:20 a.m. I arrive around 6:45 a.m. and talk with my friends before Desktop Publishing,"

William Melaburfi (11) said

cient be on-the-clock be timely be ahead of time be on schedule

cream and sugar?



Joseph Coits



William Melaburfi



Mrs. Debbie Chavez, Joseph Conway

The Westlake staff have new strategies for teaching their students 'people' skills. Starting a new routine, the students sell coffee during 1st hour and popcorn during lunch.

"The students look

forward to selling coffee the first hour of every day. It helps them develop vocational, communication, and social skills," Mrs. Debbie Stack, Westlake, said.

Students bought popcorn that was made fresh each lunch for 25 cents, and the teachers were able to buy coffee at the same price, made to their preference.



Rachel Engels (10)



Rachel Engels (10) and Mackenzie Wayco (10)



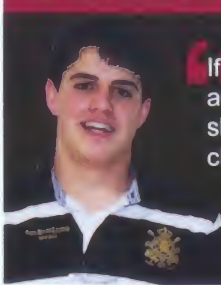
Chad Rigg (10)

procrastination, is no station to be in

"It's super important to split your term paper up into sections and finish each section on time. Last year, I waited until the last minute to finish my source cards and note cards, and it ended up taking me from 3:00 in the afternoon until 4:30 in the morning. On top of all that, I found out the next day that I had done a lot of my cards completely wrong, and I lost a ton of points because of it. It was really overwhelming having to get it all done the night before it was due, and I think it would have been worth it to just get it all done on time and save myself the stress. This year I'm changing my term paper approach, and I'm actually getting things done in pieces this time. I feel a lot more confident and a lot less stressed out about where my paper is going. My advice to anyone who wants it is to stay on top of things and try not to let yourself be overwhelmed," Rachel Engels (10) said.

think before you

wait too long...



"If you wait too long to apply to college you might not be accepted along with you might not qualify for scholarships or receive financial aid. You probably have a better chance of being accepted the earlier you apply. I waited so long because I just didn't care. I did not realize how important the college decision was. Then deadlines approached really fast, and I hurried up and applied."

William Melaburfi (11) said

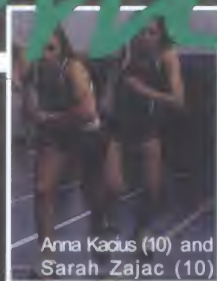
"Take the bus, and you won't be tardy,"

Mrs. Theresa Doolin attendance said

be determined

"No matter what path you choose in life, hard work and determination are the keys to success."

—Mrs. Sarah Palase, Social Studies



Anna Kadus (10) and Sarah Zajac (10)



Johnathan Pederson (11)



Sarah Williams (11)

NHS determination

the National Honor Society has made many events possible. They have helped numerous organizations and people. The key to everything that they do is their determination; determination to help others and determination to do good deeds.

One major event that NHS runs is the blood drive. There is always a blood drive in the fall and one in the spring. The spring blood drive was held on April 27. The NHS was the backbone for this drive. They advertised and got many students to donate a pint of blood each.

"Working the blood drive is pretty inspirational; however, donating blood is infinitely more rewarding," Emily Keith (12) said.

The donating students were determined as well. Donating a pint of their blood, they are able to save up to ten peoples' lives. "I went to give blood. This was my second time, and it felt good just knowing that every time I give blood I save lives," Michael Walker (11) said. Blood giving is a complicated process. Students had to fill out medical paperwork and then proceeded to be tested for correct blood pressure, temperature, pulse, and iron content. These tests were the checkpoint that unfortunately turned many willing students down. For the ones that made it past this point they were then prepared to give their blood.

"I did the blood drive for the first time this year. It was not that great of an experience. I ended up in the hospital after I gave blood, but it was rewarding," Racquel Mazer (11) said.

Some students went above and beyond by donating double the blood. Donating "double reds" means they take only the red blood cells out of the blood and put the plasma back into the donor's body. Although this process took longer than a regular donation, it showed students' determination to saving even more lives.

Jessica Moore and Brittany Krstulovich



1. be brave: Connor Lewis (11) gets himself ready to give blood as the nurse prepares his arm. Lewis was one of the students determined to help save the lives of many people in need.

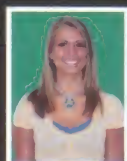


2. be helpful: Rachel Cerwinski (12), a member of National Honor Society, volunteers to sell baked goods at Battle of the Bands. The Battle of the Bands fundraiser raised money for flood victims.



3. be hardworking: Amy Troy (12), a member of National Honor Society, helps out in the Lake Hills subdivision on September 6, 2008. Troy and her friends were at the park for three hours pulling weeds and overall cleaning the park.

be focused be strong be indomitable be prepared be smart be unwavering



"I'm determined to keep up my grades my senior year, and I'm determined to start involving myself in more extracurricular activities,"

Kelsey Wade (11) said



"I am determined to make the rest of this year not looking back, but looking forward to to new people and places,"

Thomas Rega (11) said



"I am determined to get good grades and to meet new people in high school,"

Andrew Fink (9) said

team indiana hockey

Richard Sorensen & Matthew Philbin



Richard Sorensen (12)



Matthew Philbin (12)



Richard Sorensen (12) and Matthew Philbin (12)

"Team Indiana is all of the best hockey players in the state. It is a great opportunity to have a future in hockey because there are a lot of scouts from college and Junior Leagues. We had to get through two tryouts. We had to get passed a tryout which consisted of our league only, and then we competed against all leagues in the state. When we made the team, we then went to a tournament in Ohio. Then, after that, we went to the showcase. Teams from all over the country participate in a showcase in Chicago to get the opportunity to play in front of scouts. Scouts came from as far as Canada or from across the country to see the best high school hockey players play. Our team had the best record Indiana ever had, and we went 3-1,"

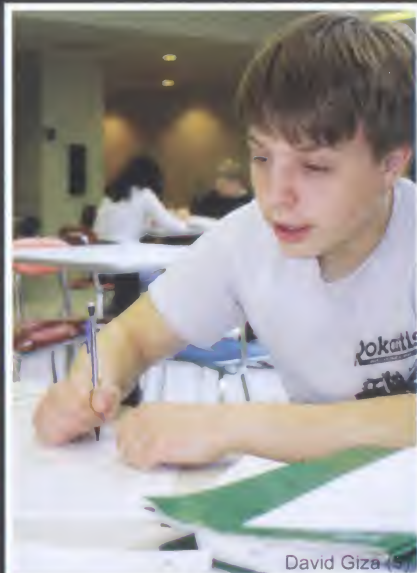
Matthew Philbin (12) said



Jack Erickson (9), Jasmine Murray (9), and Alex McRam (12)



Alexis Gutierrez (9) and Marina Milutinovic (11)



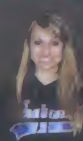
David Giza (9)

SRT peer tutoring

During high school some students are determined to get good grades, while some students are determined to help others succeed. With peer tutoring, both types of students can achieve success. Peer tutoring is held in the cafeteria every SRT. "I like peer tutoring, not only because it will look good on my college application, but also because I like helping people. Sometimes, it's hard to understand what they are learning in the teacher's words, so to be able to put it in my own words and help them understand it is pretty much rewarding in itself," said Marina Milutinovic (11). Besides peer tutoring being rewarding to the tutors, it is also rewarding to the learning student. "I go to peer tutoring during SRT, and it helps a lot because it is easier to understand from a peer close to my age rather than a teacher, or someone older," said Alexis Gutierrez (9).

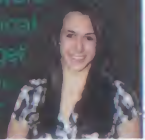
future bound students goes a long way

Sarah Shaw (12)



"After high school, I'm going to IU Bloomington. I'm not sure what I'm majoring in yet, but I'm leaning toward international business or affairs."

Lesley Payton (12)



"After high school, I'm going to the University of Delaware to major in chemical engineering. I also get to swim at the Division I level there."

Taylor Foster (12)

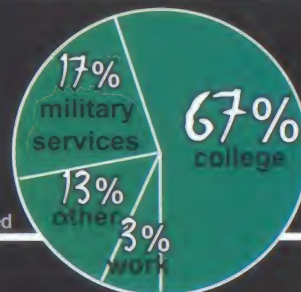


"After high school I am going to Butler to play football and pursue a career in physical therapy. I hope to have a good time and make memories."

Thomas Fitzpatrick (12)



"After high school I plan on attending Purdue University and study Mechanical Engineering."



*76 people polled

"I am determined to change someone for the better, no matter how small the gesture, at least I can say I made a difference,"

Elizabeth Rubenke (11) said

being be outstanding be involved be committed be ready be hard work



"I am determined to get better grades in school so that I can get into a good college,"

Eric Olsenbroom (10) said



"I am determined to enjoy high school while it lasts because in a heart beat it is over,"

James Mecha (12) said



"I am determined to go to a good college and become a physical therapist as my career,"

Kevin Harold (11) said



"I am in track, football, cross country, and soccer. I also am signing up to play in a hockey and volleyball league at Omni soon. This is my sixth year in track, first in football and cross country. I did cross country in middle school, but I did soccer my first two years at LC, so I couldn't do cross country. My favorite memory from these sports is throwing the freshmen in the lake at Culver after a cross country meet. The coach told us to stay out of the lake this year, but we still found it necessary to drag the freshmen on the docks and chuck them in the water,"

erik bisson (11) said



Heather Brook (11) and Jillian Hansen (11)

jilly and steps: friends for life

Jillian Hansen (11) and Heather Brook (11) are the perfect definition of a strong friendship. They even have their own nicknames for each other. Hansen is known as "Jilly" and Brook is known as "Steps." "Jilly" might make sense to most since her name is Jill, but where does "Steps" come from? "Her name Steps came from when we were running up the stairs at a hotel, and she face planted into the stairs, and everyone who we were with stepped on her back like they were walking on steps," Hansen explained. "If we can go through all this, this long why not?" They share the same opinions and the same tastes, but yet they're different enough to learn from one another. They see the brightside of everything. "We go on many shopping trips to different places and find ourselves getting off at the wrong exits," Hansen said. "Jill keeps me from spending too much money," Brook said. Most of the time they just find the humor in it and always ride out the tough times together.

weight room *strength*



"The football coach would get on my tail if I didn't go to the weightroom, and it's so much fun to work out,"

adam goat (11) said

"Day after day going there gets a little grueling, but I know working out will make me better,"

katherine krull (11) said

"I like going to the weight room because I know that it's helping me, and I like to work hard and see the hard work pay off as well,"

madelyn jerome (12) said

why do you wear your *livestrong* bracelet?

"I was told by a friend that the body is resilient, and I can literally see that now. After a harsh battle with chemotherapy, radiation, surgery and just about every test out there done twice, my father still laid in ICU with a smile on his face. I was told that being positive is the hardest part, which is rightfully so. My father has had a killer-instinct from the beginning and had not let down to this day. He always said that to have his family and friends supporting him through this journey has helped him. He, like many others, are truly amazing individuals. For them, I am supportive. For them, I **LIVESTRONG**,"

emily levin (12) said

be tough be burly be muscular be willing be robust be strapping be in



"To be strong is to make the best out of each and every obstacle encountered in life. One is only as strong as they push themselves to be,"

charles fields (12) said



"To have the strong ability to do something is to go for something, and try to make it work out for the best. Even if in the end things don't turn out the way you planned, at least you tried,"

ashley machnikowski (9) said



"Being strong is trying your hardest to succeed through everything. To be strong, you have to hold your head high and be confident, even through the tough times,"

kelsie schultz (10) said

be strong

“Strong, to me, is more than physical strength. It is not giving up until a person has truly done his or her best. Too many people give up well short of what they could ultimately do if they stayed with it.”
Mr. Mike Hensley, Foreign Language said.



Stephen Ragan (12),
Jacob Lecea (12)



Jacob Mullins (12),
Anchal Sanghvi (12)



Shayn Beach (10)

strong 'til the end

as a student we face many challenges throughout our lives, but some may seem small compared to what others face.

The passing of a parent is a very difficult thing to deal with.

“When I think about how my dad will never be able to send me off to college with my mom, or walk me down the aisle, I can just break down,” Melissa Gbur (11) said.

Although times may be tough, with a little help, students are able to stay strong.

“I stayed strong by being with close friends and family. My friends were always there for me during this tough time. It was hard for me to be sad with all of their support. I am forever thankful,” Mark Sknerski (11) said.

Sometimes, something positive can come from hard times, and people learn important lessons when dealing with hardships.

“My mom was my hero. She taught me that things happen for a reason. I learned that my mom had to deal with the fact that she was dying. That taught me a big lesson on how to deal with the facts and to cope with the future,” Michael Robinson (11) said.

Even though a loss can be devastating, the best thing someone can do is to stay positive and strong.

“I always keep my head up and look at the positives. My family is so close, we share so much love and support with each other. We keep [my dad's] memory alive by always talking about the great times we shared together,” Gbur said.

Christy Conrad and Michelle Sweeney



1. **be proud:** Mark Sknerski (11) stands with his mother Maricarol Sknerski. “In a way I also felt strong because I feel like I have received her strength,” Sknerski said.

2. **be loving:** Michael Robinson (11) hugs his mother Regina Robinson for a picture. “Losing my Mom was hard, but seeing your hero die right in front of your eyes was devastating,” Robinson said.

dependent be stalwart be hardy be resilient be durable be strong-will



“If you never give up and give it your best at something you love you will be strong. So, if you like it, give it more than 100% to be strong,”
pablo flores (12) said



“By being strong, your self confidence can improve. If you are strong you don't care what other people say or think about you,”
Jessica Matus (11) said



“Being strong is not about how much you can lift or our physical appearance. Being strong is about what is on the inside,”
brian honecky (12) said

be involved

Being involved means playing an active role in trying to better your school and community. It also means volunteering and demonstrating leadership qualities. Student Council members stay 'involved' through participation in school,



Lucas Papp (12)



William Jarvis (12)



Samantha Tarrant (11) Jillian Ruiz (12)

lending a hand

Many students look out not only for the better of themselves, but for the better of their peers and community. National Honor Society is a club that is always willing to lend a helping hand.

"NHS is a great way to become involved with community service. There are a number of perks that one can get from being a member of NHS," Natasa Drageljevic (12) said.

NHS has participated in many functions like tutoring elementary students, raising money for flood victims, and cleaning the park area of Lake Hills.

"Making waffles to raise money for the flood victims was a lot of fun," Katherine Milbrath (12) said.

NHS members think that participating for volunteer work has more meaning than just putting in service hours.

"We do a minimum of 35 service hours per year, but even that to some that is a burden, I enjoy it," Drageljevic said.

Sometimes the volunteer work can be a chance for friends to come together to help the community.

"I helped clean up the park area at Lake Hills. Me and a group of friends were doing it as volunteer work for NHS," David Scasny (12) said.

The National Honor Society is involved with the community and school.

"[NHS] is a good way for high school students to get involved with both their school and their community. This year we have done a good amount of fundraising and have raised money for several benefits. Mrs. [Angela] Ohlemkamp, [math], has been there for us every step of the way," Michael Peddycord (12) said.

NHS requires members to give back to the community, but some students have realized that this work can be a fun experience.

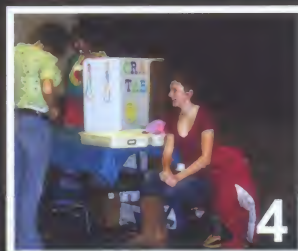
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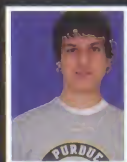
1. be a chef: Katherine Milbrath (12) gets a head start making waffles to sell to the students. National Honor Society donated all the money to flood victims.

2. be involved: Selling baked goods is not only beneficial to the students, but to NHS as well. Leah Cerwinske (12) was selling the baked goods for the club.

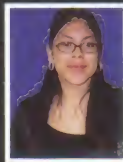
3. be a hardworker: David Scasny (12) helps clean up the Lake Hills park area. A group of his friends volunteered to help out the area.

4. be giving: Julia Cook (12) takes time out of her weekend to work the Protsman fun fair. Cook was working for service hours for NHS.

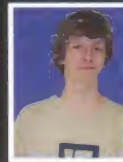
be associated be integrated be included be busy be occupied be active be



"I am involved in basketball and track. I am also involved in some church activities. I usually play sports with friends [and] play basketball with them,"



"Outside of school I write poems. I've been writing poems since December 2006. Writing poems is one of my favorite hobbies. My poems are on the internet, and the first poem I wrote is published,"



"I have always enjoyed photography. I think it would be a great experience if I was in something involving yearbook. I would like to take pictures for it,"

I have been involved with paintball for **7 years.**

What advice would you give to someone who would like to play paintball?

Not to be scared to play just go out and have a good time.

Who do you play paintball with?

A bunch of friends that I have known for a long time and got very close to.

Nikolas Scarfo (12) said



Ariauna Starks (10), Diana Dieguez (10), Mrs. Rachel Underwood, social studies



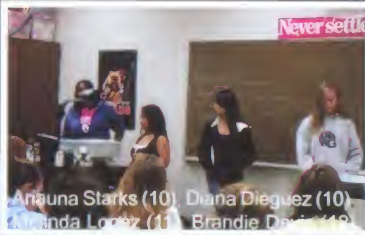
Diana Dieguez (10)



Sean Tomich (12), Kristin Greenwood (12), Sara Starkey (12)



Ryan Beatty (10), Grant McCormack (11)



Ariauna Starks (10), Diana Dieguez (10), Amanda Lopez (11), Brandie Davis (12)

student council helps out

Many students partake in organizations to not only look good on college applications but to improve the school as a whole. Student council sponsors many events, and they help to raise money, funds, and goods for those in need. "My favorite event we do all year is the toy drive. Every year I drive the toys to the drop-off center. It's for a good cause, and it's fun because I usually drive with one of my friends," Alexander Pavlakis (12) said. Ariauna Starks (10) is co-president of student council. She has been a part of the committee for two years. "Student Council is very fun. My favorite part of Student Council is helping the Talent Show. For the Talent Show, I was able to watch the auditions and judge," Starks said. Whether it's bringing toys to little kids or helping give other students their chance for the spotlight, Student Council provides a leadership outlet for students.

campaigning for **Obama**



"During the election campaigns, I volunteered for the Obama-Biden ticket. I was a canvasser with Jason Shultz (12). We would go door to door asking people if they were going to support Obama. If the person was undecided or against our ticket, we would talk to him or her and try to convince the person to vote for Obama. Also, if the person was still unconvinced, we would leave pamphlets which talked about some of Obama's views and promises,"

Marshall Roberts (12) said

I've always been involved with **Faith** [church] since freshman year but attended **Suburban Bible Church** since I was really little. I do a group called **Word of Life**. I've gone on various mission trips such as **Mexico**,

Nicole Massee (12) said

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"I am involved in Lake Central Centralettes. I also take dance classes aside from Centralettes. I like Centralettes because a lot of my good friends are on the team too,"

Madison Peters (12) said



"I like to help my dad with yard work. For me, it is a great stress reliever. I also love to ride my bike with my little brother who is awesome to hang out with sometimes,"

Andrew Brown (12) said



"Outside of school, I'm involved with playing softball and hanging out with my friends. I love shopping around and hanging out with my sister, Celina. We always have good times,"

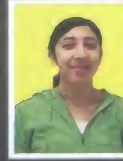
Stephanie Morrison (12) said



"Misunderstood means interpreting something or some one the wrong way. I cannot really think of a time where I was really misunderstood," *laura sokolowski (9) said*



"Misunderstood means not understanding the situation that I'm in. I'm 19, and I'm only a junior. People give me the same lecture over and over again when I've heard it a thousand times," *kyle reibly (11) said*



"I think my sense of humor is misunderstood by my friends sometimes. Sometimes I try and make a joke, and they take it personally," *batul contractor (10) said*

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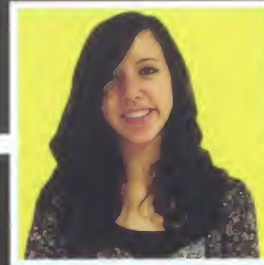
"Misunderstanding can be quite funny if you're with your friends, but if you're around the important people, it can be really bad,"

emily schilling (12) said



"I was driving with my friend, and 'Kiss Me Through the Phone' by Soulja Boy came on. I was singing along, and I completely was singing the wrong words,"

kaithlyn boecker (11) said



"I misunderstood a lyric in 'I'm Yours' by Jason Mraz, I thought it said 'People, dance and sing,' but he actually just sings, 'Baby, dance with me,'"

jessica clemons (11) said



"When I first heard the Akon song, 'Right Now', I thought he was saying 'I wanna make love right now,' instead of 'I wanna make up right now,'"

lourbeyo malle (11) said

a whole new world



"Since I was moved here from a city in **Japan**, I felt a bit uneasy here. I can't see a lot of tall buildings, trains, or traffic. I had a hard time with my English and my transportation. Because Japanese high school students mostly use the train or bus to go to school, I can't drive. It was hard to hang out with my friends without a car,"

akira kashiwa (12) said



Khadija Farooq (12) and members of her family



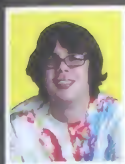
Lahore, Pakistan



Farooq and her family

a trip to remember

Even though Pakistan is always in the news, you don't really get to hear about the culture and the people there. Khadija Farooq (12) took a trip to the nation to visit her mother's side of the family and learned about the country. "It was really awkward at first because I understand the language, Urdu, but I can't speak it back," Farooq said. "It made it hard to connect with my cousins." The trip might have had good intentions, but Farooq had some close calls. "We were shopping, and then a few days later, we found out the place we were was set on fire and everybody in it died," Farooq said. "Also, right after our flight left, there was an earthquake." Despite the troubles, Farooq says it was a "really fun" experience in the end that helped her learn more about her other side of the family.



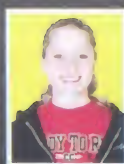
"A lot of people just don't understand a lot of the things I do. Most of the time I just do them because I like to,"

zenon mills (11) said



"I carry my big purse around. Everything is with me. It's got my makeup and stuff in it. My life is in this bag, and people don't understand why I carry it around. But I have everything I need in it,"

gabriella navarro (12) said



"I guess a lot of people think I'm a pretty shy person, but I'm really, extremely outgoing and fun. That's what I think people misunderstand about me,"

monica feustel (10) said

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be misunderstood

"Misunderstood means that you don't see or realize the 'real' person, idea or thing. When teachers create rules for a classroom, students think we do it to be mean, when truly we do it for ourselves, our students, and for the learning environment,"

mrs pam miller english said



lost in translation

It's an adventure most of us just dream about: the opportunity to go somewhere you don't know the language or a single person, adventurously learning about a country firsthand. For one student this first semester, she was given this chance, and came to America to learn more about this country and its culture.

Elena Pasero (12) was a first-semester exchange student from Italy. She experienced some problems right away.

"The first days I was quite afraid because Lake Central is extremely big. My school in Italy has only 250 students," Pasero said. "Some people didn't really help me because nobody is really interested in having new friendships, and nobody knew that I wasn't American."

Maryan Tamayo-Diaz (12) is an exchange student from Ecuador. She is currently enrolled in Lake Central and is having a good overall experience. But she also had some hard times adjusting.

"At the beginning I didn't even know people here in this school. All my friends in America are exchange students at other schools," Tamayo-Diaz said.

However, it wasn't long before both girls found their niches in the large student body.

"I think the best classes were drama and choir because people were more open-minded and tried to involve me," Pasero said.

Also, Pasero was able to acquaint herself with many different American traditions.

"A great experience in America was bonding with the theater girls, where we TP-ed people. In Italy, TP-ing doesn't exist," Pasero said.

Tamayo-Diaz had a great experience here in America; she learned many things during her stay, including English. But she says, "One of the things I've learned is that there really is no place like home."

emily hogg and beka kasper

1. **be scared:** Elena Pasero (12) poses by a giant, inflatable spider at the Navy Fear event at Navy Pier in Chicago, Illinois. Over the course of her 'journey' in America, Pasero took several trips to Chicago.

2. **be ready:** Emily Watson (12) and Elena Pasero (12) give a big thumbs-up by Watson's car before school during Pasero's stay. The pair both participated in the fall play and theater classes at the school.

3. **be friendly:** Lisa Zandy (11), Brooke Carnahan (11), Elena Pasero (12), and Andrea Castiilo (11) say cheese for a picture backstage at the fall play. Pasero considered herself very lucky for playing Violet in the fall play, *It's a Wonderful Life*.

"I would like to think that the girls think about who they are facing, who the pitcher is, what their offense will be like, and what their defense will bring."

mr. eric bushong, mathematics sabb



Jessica Dobson (12) and Ashley Cuthbert (12) offer words of encouragement before the next batter.



After finishing an inning on the field, the team huddles together to pump each other up and to get ready to bat.



In a timeout, coaches talk to Meredith Cioffi (12) about base running during a pep talk.



Benjamin Wagner (10)



Harrison Rice (12)



Bryan Baker (11)

getting into the holiday spirit

Christmas is the time to be cheerful, happy, and optimistic. Between baking goods and spending time with loved ones, another fun activity is decorating the environment around you to show your joy for the season. The Westlake students decorated their classroom with lights and other festive accents in the beginning of December during SRT. "My students always work together to keep our room decorated for the holiday season. They're always my little helpers," Mrs. Cyndi Hoffman, Westlake, said. With the help of all the students, the classroom was not only decorated for Christmas, but it also was filled with holiday cheer. "The kids were really excited for Christmas and decorating the room made them even more excited for the holiday that was approaching," Hoffman said. The students decorated the room as best they could and in doing so, they expressed their spirit and excitement they had for the holiday season.

staying positive



"I stay positive and happy by hanging out with my friends after school or at soccer. To relieve homework stress, I try to do as much as possible the night before to stay ahead,"

samantha miksich (9) said

"I enjoy doing extracurricular activities after school, and it keeps me busy during the week. Usually making other people happy, and when other people are in good moods, it makes me feel like I have the same feeling,"

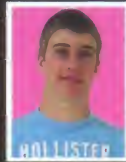
adam meeker (10) said



be lively be animated be energetic be fiery be peppy be cheerful be



"I'm spirited when I dress full out for the homecoming game. It's fun to see everyone dressing crazy,"
ariel lematty (12) said



"When I'm at a sporting event, I'm spirited when I wear the colors of the team and cheer them on,"
noah malm (9) said



"Being spirited means being able to go crazy listening to music wondering why the people in the car next to you are looking at you,"
kristina delorta (11) said

be spirited

“Being spirited is being high energy and being positive in the things you believe in; it’s a positive outlook on life,”
mr. bill melby, mathematics said”



Varsity Cheerleaders



Raguel Williams (12)



See You at the Pole



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baking for hope

raising money is a very common activity among clubs or sports teams to be able to accomplish their goals and afford necessary equipment. The Word of Life club, however, raised money for others in need during the flood disasters in Munster, including Mr. Adam Tenborge, English.

“I think Mr. Tenborge really appreciated us raising money for him, and I was surprised to see students not buying food just to eat, but to really help out the flood victims,” Natalie Geertsma (12) said.

In the end, a generous amount of money was made selling the brownies, Hostess cakes, and other baked goods.

Not only did Word of Life have a bake sale to raise money, they also gave away baked goods to promote the club and what they believe in.

“The whole idea for giving away the cookies and treats was just to show God’s love to people and show them that they didn’t need to do anything to receive them,” Allison Mender (10) said.

A lot of effort went into promoting and selling the baked goods, as well as supplying them. Everything besides the store bought cakes were made at home by the students.

“I felt like we needed to participate. We knew it was a good idea to spread God’s love,” Nicole Brassea (12) said.

Shortly after the flooding in Munster, Word of Life acted quickly to help out the victims. These students didn’t just raise money for themselves or the club, they raised money for other people who needed it the most, and showed their love for what they believe in.

tree flores & emily garza

1. be giving: Natalie Geertsma (12) gives out a piece of brownie to a student. It became messy and hard to handle as the brownie slipped out of Geertsma’s hands.

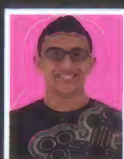
2. be supportive: Nicole Brassea (12) and Natalie Geertsma (12) collect money from the students buying the treats. Having the bake sale showed Word of Life’s passion for helping others.

3. be hungry: To satisfy their hunger, Amy Bowers (12) and Jeanette Delattore (12) help get rid of the baked goods that are left. It became crowded and busy while the girls tried to hand out the treats.

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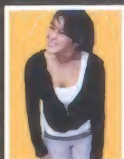
“I’m spirited because I not only attend football games, but I also put a lot of time and effort into BPA,”
bradley zolitosky (12) said



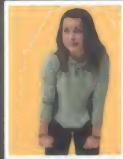
“I think being spirited means being yourself and not caring what other people think of you and living the way you want to live your life,”
roger camarena (11) said



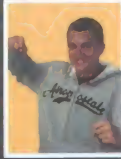
“I loved going to state for Centralettes and hanging out with my sister and her friends,”
chad arnold (10) said



"Depending on my day, almost anything can make me angry. When I am angry, my personality changes and I am mad at everyone. I yell, scream, and cause scenes," *alyssa antonio (12) said*



"What makes me angry is when I'm at work and people just complain about everything because I don't think that they need to complain all day," *paige keough (10) said*



"I have a short fuse. When I am angry, I yell at people. Sometimes it makes me feel better," *casey drenth (9) said*

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be *angry*

"Being angry means being disappointed and let down. It makes me angry when anybody believes that they can get away with disrespecting me. Then from that I get frustrated, and I don't know how to handle my frustration," *ms. brandi krolak english said*



Erik Kiser (12),
Treka Curns (11),
George Sabek (11),
Kurt Kudrecki (11)



Ian Lucas (10)



Evan Stahr (11)

not enough space

It's normal for a high school to be filled with students, but for this school crowding has gone overboard.

"The crowded hallways are hard to get through, and there's too many of them in this school," Noah Malm (9) said. With the blue tape teachers monitoring it, E-hall is the most congested and jam-packed hallway here.

"The crowded hallways are very annoying when you are trying to get to the other side of the school for your next class," Sara Starkey (12) said. Several students have become very agitated just trying to get from class to class.

"I feel really irritated. I can get in such a horrible mood trying to get through E-hall. Usually it's just because of people standing around in the middle of the hallways; most of the crowding that originates could be prevented," Katherine Sicinski (11) said. It's not just the hallways that have these students troubled, but getting in and out of the school parking lot has become a major obstacle.

"I'm terrified of getting hit in the parking lot. People drive like they are insane," Sarah Richards (11) said. At the end of the day, people are rushing outside to their cars.

"Directly after school is the worst [time to be in the parking lot]. You can't expect to get out onto 41 until 2:20. It's ridiculous," Sicinski said. Most of the students who don't stay after school for extracurricular activities are in a hurry to get home.

"I think that if there weren't as many people here, we would get out sooner. We have to sit and wait until we can get out," Brianna Wise (9) said. Having so many students contained in one school causes frequent congestion in multiple spots, but students have learned how to find their way around the school by avoiding these areas.

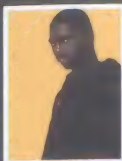
brittany bencur ariele morris and allie mender



be together: Before the first bell rings, many theater students gather in the cafeteria to talk prior to going to class. Hang outs like this were daily routines.

be congested: Right before the final bell rings, the buses are lined up waiting for the students to fill them. Minutes later students packed the buses.

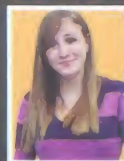
be rushed: Students flee the school after the last bell has rung. For those parked in the Freshman Center, getting to their vehicle can be quite the hassle moving through the crowds.



"I am most angry when I am told how to do something like, if someone tells me a certain way, and I don't like it. I might pace the floor or ball my fists [to control my anger]," *jeremi lee (11) said*



"People make me really angry when they act obnoxious and loud during class because it makes the teacher mad and then they assign more homework," *henry siedentopf (10) said*



"If I ever do get angry, I just don't think about it. Taking your mind off of it helps the situation. I try not to let anything bother me," *carolyn walters (9) said*

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Mrs. Jan Havens Rodriguez
Social Studies

"The most irritating pet peeves would have to be students lack of accountability, repetitive questions, and a small group of students ruining it for the entire class. These pet peeves who lack of caring about one's education as well as other students."



Mrs. Myra Wilkerson, English

"[My biggest pet peeve is] friables. They are little pieces of paper left over when you tear a sheet from a spiral notebook. They sit on my floor, in my school bag, and all over my carpet at home. They scream mess to me, and it makes me crazy."



Mr. Darrell Wierzal, English

"[My pet peeves are] throwing anything, saying 'I could care less,' 'I'm not going to lie' or 'I'm aggravated', pronouncing 'nuclear' as 'nookyalur' or 'library' as 'liberry', and saying your going to give 110%."

what makes you angry?



"I have learned that most of [the upper classmen] think they are better than us freshmen. Even the sophomores who are only one grade ahead of us are rude and mean. Some have told me that they are going to throw pennies at us. I think mainly sophomores think they are better because they finally aren't at the bottom. They think they have a right to be mean to all freshmen," *sarah kubik (9) said*

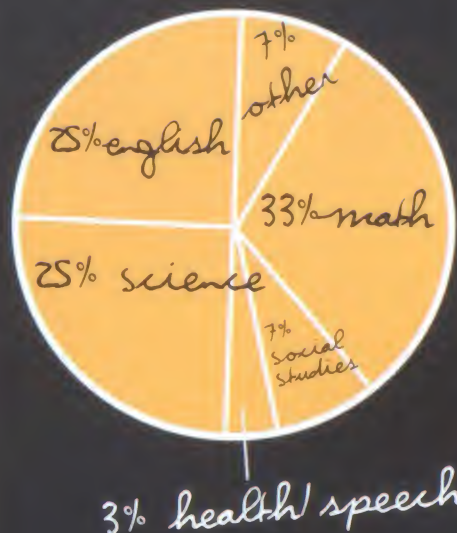


"It makes me angry [that we have five more days to make up than the seniors] because I don't see why we don't just take the finals early. Everyone in the school should be treated equally. Another reason why we should all be let out on the same day is because we're all going to be seniors one day, and high school is like the best four years of your life, five more days wouldn't kill you," *vainogoulonis (11) said*



"I am bothered the most throughout the school day by the music they play in the hallways during passing periods. I like the idea, but sometimes the songs aren't good. The quality is bad too. The one thing that really angers me is when the music doesn't play because I always depend on that to get to class on time," *laiketabusiak (10) said*

what made you the angriest?



* 88 people polled

the senior class

"When I'm angry, sometimes I just run or play basketball hard to get the anger out of me. But mostly when I'm angry, I'll play a sport, work out, or go outside for a jog," *daniel paschen (9) said*



"I'm hopeful to get into college because I want to get a good education. I want to be a therapist,"

imagine girlfriends (12) said



"I hope I can pass English because I don't want to take it again. I also hope I get guitar lessons because I want to play better,"

logan wells (12) said



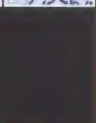
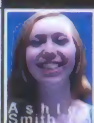
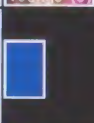
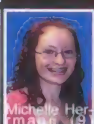
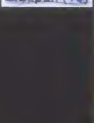
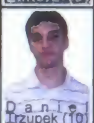
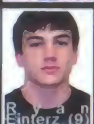
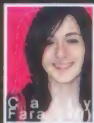
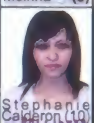
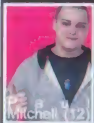
"I hope we have outdoor classrooms and a bigger, better theater. I hope for bigger hallways because it's really stressful when the little people get pushed around,"

andrew mazzucchi (12) said

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hoping for CHANGE

Obama fans show their support for the new President as they remain hopeful for the future



"I have real hope for Obama's office, and I have real hope that he will make good with his promises,"

sean mckinley (9) said

hoping for the best

Seniors plan to further their education with hopeful career choices



"I am going to Johnson & Wales University in Providence, Rhode Island for my Baking & Pastry degree. I picked JWU because it's one of the best colleges for culinary baking and pastry. I also want to live downtown (I'm half an hour away from Boston). I hope to open up my own bakery and cafe, and I already have big plans on what I want my bakery to look like," Tiffany Pavlovic (12) said.



"I am going to be going to the American Academy of Art in Chicago and for my graduation present, my parents are taking me to Disney World. [I want to do] anything with art, but if I had my choice, it would be cartooning for Disney. I even thought about doing illustration for books," Trudy Sowash (12) said.



"After high school, I will be attending Roosevelt University in Chicago, Illinois. I plan on majoring in psychology and becoming a substance abuse counselor. When I eventually graduate after those rough 11 years, I hope to move to London and pursue my career," Carlianne Cresto (12) said.



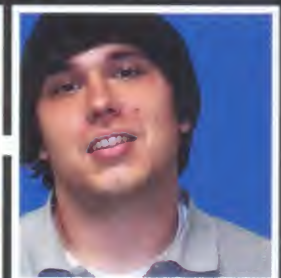
"Graduation is a time where people finally get to say, 'I did it.' It is a time to remember all of the good times you have had, and a way to find out who your true friends are,"

bradley marshall (12) said



"Brett Guiden (12) and I are going [to Senior Banquet] as Edward Scissorhands and Peg. We're really, really excited to go and see the other costumes and dance,"

haley borndine (12) said



"I hope that some people don't get in trouble and ruin it [Prom] for everyone else. I hope my first trip to SixFlags [over Prom weekend] will be fun. It will be my first time,"

jason gallagher (2) said



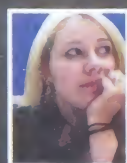
"I'm hopeful to graduate; I can't wait. I want to start my life in college because I think that's when life really starts. I want to go to school for journalism,"

grace fields (11) said



"I'm hopeful for getting through college. I'm going to St. Joseph's College to major in elementary education. [I hope] to come back and teach for the Lake Central School Corporation,"

nicole brann (12) said



"I hope that the school gives us a break on the snow days because we shouldn't have to make up days where the weather is beyond our control,"

lesley payonk (12) said

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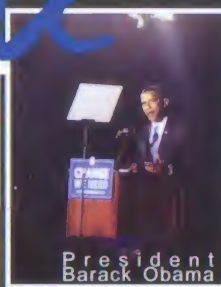
be hopeful

"[Having hope] is always knowing that good things may come your way, and it helps you not to focus on the bad things because there is always hope for a better day or outcome,"

nicole brann (12) said



Lesley Payonk (12)



President Barack Obama



Students running on a track



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evaluate the slope

What's better than the desired summer vacation that students long for as soon as it's over? Winter Break and Fall Break are just two of the hiatuses throughout the year that students tend to look forward to.

For some, breaks mean sun, water and complete relaxation or snow, mountains and an adrenaline rush. Others can only hope that Northwest Indiana will have a somewhat pleasant forecast—or at least a constant one.

"Over Winter Break, I went skiing for my first time in Otsego, Michigan. I brought my best friend Nicolette Mehas (10) with too. We didn't think we would ever make it down the 'bunny slopes,' but we finally got the hang of it. I can't wait to go back next year," Katie Kozy (10) said.

Unfortunately, breaks may lead to a bit more trouble at home. Whether being grounded for a teenage mistake or held in for a medical reason, some days off are a bit bittersweet.

"I didn't have a very fun Spring Break because I got my wisdom teeth pulled. The only excitement I had was having a friend come surprise me. She brought me Jell-O and a 'get well' card," Nicole Brann (10) said.

Although longer breaks are enjoyable, most students do not complain for a few days off. Two-hour delays and four-day weekends are taken with much gratitude after having enough snow days to count on both hands.

"I get excited for snow days, but making it up at the end of the school year is a drag. I prefer delays because then I have time to eat breakfast, and by the time I go to school, I'll have my energy for the day. Plus, we don't have to make them up in the end," Joseph Chung (10) said.

emily levin and cesar pulido



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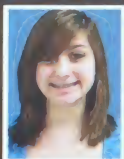


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1. be cold: Nicolette Mehas (10) and Katie Kozy (10) ski at the Bittersweet resort in Michigan. "We didn't let our nerves get the best of us and forced ourselves down the more advanced hills," Kozy said.

2. be tan: Jessica Dobson (12) stops to pose on the beach with sister Ashley Dobson (9), boyfriend Walter Wians (Kankakee Valley 12) and best friend Megan Axtell (Kankakee Valley 12). Dobson vacationed at the Siesta Key beaches in Sarasota, Florida over Spring Break.

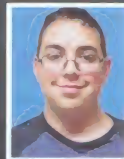
3. be relaxed: Over Fall Break, Meghan Morales (12) sits around a bonfire with music and dancing after a hayride with her family and friends. They went to Southlake Stables in Crown Point to enjoy a ride through the pumpkin patch.



"I feel carefree because I'm in gymnastics. I'm always defying gravity. During my routines I get to express myself, especially in my floor routine," *haley bartolomeo (9) said*



"[I am most carefree in] school because I do not like doing homework, and I do not like waking up early," *brian clemens (10) said*



"I don't care when it comes to cleaning my room. I don't feel like I have to, and I don't have a lot of stuff. My mom bothers me enough about it, though," *tyler kozmierszak (11) said*

be cheerful be easygoing be beat ease be serene be cool be undisturbed be

be carefree

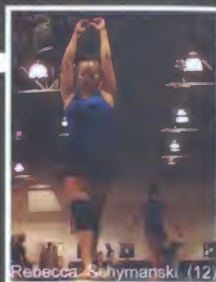
"Carefree is feeling as if you are living as you want to, not as society says you should. Experiencing life from moment to moment and enjoying every second is to be carefree," *mrs. teresa zentz, social studies said*



Laurie Rutkowski (12)



Brett Guiden (12)



Rebecca Szymanski (12)

just for the fun

extra curriculars don't need to be highly competitive sports. They can be laid back like the coed soccer teams that play every Tuesday night at Dyer Indoor soccer arena.

"I love playing soccer. Indoor soccer is a chance to play while the outdoor seasons aren't going on," Alexander Pavlakis (12) said.

Indoor soccer is a way for those who want to play with no pressure to enjoy their sport.

"I don't take indoor soccer seriously at all. I play for fun," Olivia Radencic (12) said.

The whole point of this league is to not have to be completely serious and focused.

"[I am] serious enough to try our best to win every game, but not serious enough to let it get us down for next week," Pavlakis said.

Playing on a team with a group of friends is also a way for people to keep up their social life.

"I participate in indoor soccer because it is a lot of fun hanging out with my friends," Jason Macnak (11) said.

An advantage to a less stressful sport is that winning does not have to be the most important thing in the world.

"I feel really good [after the games]. The people on my team always try their hardest, no matter how the game turns out," Radencic said.

But even though everyone on the team may be in it for the fun, the team still does well.

"We've only lost one game in five months of playing this year," Pavlakis said.

The team found a fun and carefree way to make it through the winter months with a little indoor soccer to pass the time.

annemarie rompra and lauren rigg



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be friendly: William Simes (12), Olivia Radencic (12), Andrew Seigel (12), Alex Lang (12), Sarah Shaw (12), Brandon Mikisich (12), Alexander Pavlakis (12), Corey Copp (11) and Samantha Pavlakis (12) show some love for one another. They were together for the past three sessions of Dyer Indoor Soccer.

be serious: Alexander Pavlakis (12) concentrates on the game. The Dyer Indoor Soccer games took place on Tuesday nights.

be composed: The White Lightning pose for a team picture. They won second place in the tournament that took place during the third session.



"I'm really carefree in not worrying about what people think about me. I don't dress or act the way people expect. It doesn't really matter to me,"
breanne bahney (9) said



"[I am most carefree] after school because all my work is done, and it just gives me time to relax to hang out with my friends and watch TV,"
charlie nicholls (10) said



"[I am most carefree with] my youth group because I just feel really comfortable there, and it is not like school where I have to dress up,"
kimberly estey (11) said

be *unruffled* be *tranquil* be *composed* be *back* be *unbothered* be



Nina Erler (12) and TJ Fitzsimmons (12)



relaxing in the sun

TJ Fitzsimmons (12) and Nina Erler (12) went to Cancun, Mexico for Spring Break. The two went with Erler's parents for six days. To add to the relief of Spring Break, they were lucky to have beautiful weather of 80 degrees every day with just a little wind, and it only rained once for five short minutes. They did not go into the city because they worried about the danger. However, they still had fun going to the big flea market mall and shopping, visiting the Mayan temples, snorkeling, and going out to dinner one night. They spend most of their time laying around by the pool and beach. "Overall, the trip was very relaxing," Fitzsimmons said.

words
of
advice
from
bryan
schuch



"Don't think about the future. We're only in high school. Think about the next few days, not the next few years. We have our whole life ahead of us. Waste time when you have real time to waste,"

bryan schuch (12) said

comfort classes

"[The most carefree class I have is] Advanced Placement Calculus with Mrs. [Joan] Loden, [math]. I am good at math. It just comes easy to me. Mrs. Loden is a very good teacher,"

alex lang (12) said

"[The most carefree class I have is] English. I love English, and it is one of my favorite subjects so that is why it is easy for me to go to class each day,"

danielle walters (9) said

"[carefree to me means]

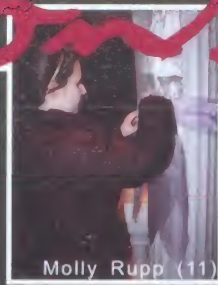
living
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jason marshall (10) said

be responsible

Learning to be responsible in high school will only help you be responsible in other areas of your life later on. In the end, taking responsibility for yourself actually makes life easier,

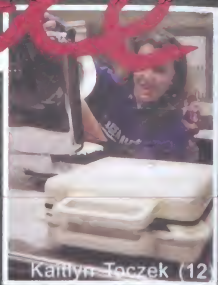
the only boy's English class



Molly Rupp (11)



Christopher Johnson (12)



Kaitlyn Toczek (12)

benefiting others

Students join clubs for many reasons. Some join because it gives them something to do. Others join because extra curriculars look good on college applications. And yet others just join to help people. "I decided to join this club [National Honor Society] because I think that everyone could benefit from helping others. It also looks good on my high school transcript," Leah Cerwinske (12) said.

NHS is a club dedicated to helping the community. It requires all members to complete a set number of service hours.

Interact is another club that was formed in order to help the community. They organize a food drive every year as well as other charity events throughout the school year.

"[We are expected to] help out with the school and community. We volunteer and organize many charity events," Shayna Schultz (12) said.

While NHS and Interact are hard at work improving the community, Student Council is working on improving the school. Student Council members must be able to follow through on their proposals.

"When there are things that you have been given to do, it depends on how well it turns out. You have to always be able to follow through with what you start," Brandie Davis (12) said.

Whether someone is a member of NHS, Interact, Student Council, or a combination, being responsible is a very important quality.

"As a member of NHS, you must be responsible by attending meetings and making sure you earn your service hours. As a member, you must also be responsible by making good grades to keep up a specified GPA," Cerwinski said.

chris einterz



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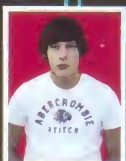
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1. be attentive: Mrs. Koula Amanatidis [social studies] talks to the of Young Americans Organizations. YAO is a club where students can talk about politics and current events in a sophisticated environment.

2. be wise: National Honor Society members decide what to do for their community service hours. NHS members are required to complete a minimum of 35 community service hours in order to remain in this prestigious club.

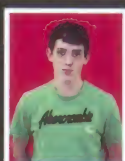
3. be spirited: Michael Peddycord (12) is announcing for St. Baldricks that took place on March 19. Peddycord was an officer of National Honor Society.

in charge be accountable be at fault be bound be ready be answerable



"I get my school work done at school, and I do my sports after school. I haven't brought a book home all year,"

gavin perrone (12) said



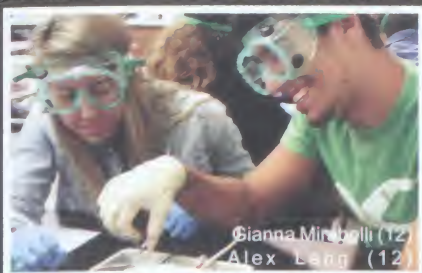
"I don't really get homework, so playing baseball isn't really a big deal to me,"

domenico mallas (12) said



"I get help with my homework during SRT."

isaac daniel (12) said



Gianna Minibelli (12)
Alex Lann (12)



Corey Davis (12) and Gregory Bowman (12)

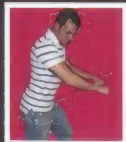


Kristin B.

working in the labs

Labs are one of students' favorite things to do during school. It's a break from the norm. Instead of taking notes, they get to dissect a frog. Instead of listening to a lecture, they get to fractionally distill wood. "Labs give you an escape from a typical class. You don't have to take notes or listen to lectures. You get to work with other people, which is something I really like doing," Michael Majchrowicz (10) said. Although students enjoy doing labs, there is always a concern with lab safety. Lab safety is the first priority of science teachers because students' safety is always the most important. "Lab safety is very important because it can mean the difference between doing something correctly or getting it wrong and hurting yourself," Majchrowicz said. Labs are a privilege, not a right. Students need to show that they are responsible enough to handle themselves in a mature situation.

what are you responsible for?



"I am responsible for cutting the grass at home," Anthony Klimczak (12) said.



"I am responsible for keeping the cars clean and the grass short," Marko Vidovic (12) said.



"I cook, I clean, I wash. Nothing outside my house though. I do everything," Jannette Diaz (12) said.



"I don't really have a lot of time to do things around the house because I have two jobs. But in the summer, I vacuum the pool," Philip Gorman (12) said.

If you aren't responsible, you could fail your classes. Not being responsible can make your classes harder than they need to be,
cara cypria (10) said

working together

at Briar Ridge Country Club



question

What do your jobs consist of?

answer

- "I cut cups, rake bunkers and write songs about cutting cups," Lyle Cherven (12) said
- "I cut greens and sometimes collars on accident," Drew Dumont (12) said
- "I cut greens and collars and rake bunkers. I also get attacked by birds and trees," Bryan Schuch (12) said
- "I cut cups and dig holes," David Rossi (12) said

question

Why is your job important?

answer

- "Without us, the golf course couldn't function," Schuch said
- "If it wasn't for us, the golf course wouldn't look as nice," Dumont said

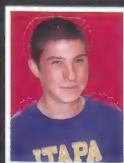
question

Why do you enjoy your job?

answer

- "The hours are good and it's a pretty relaxed working environment," Rossi said

be *compelled* be *engaged* be *able* be *qualified* be *loyal* be *level-headed*



"I just do all my homework during SRT because I don't have time to do it after school," Thomas Cameron (9) said



"I try to do my homework before I go to work, and I try to finish the rest during SRT," Kaitlyn Dougherty (12) said



"I schedule my homework around my practices, and whatever I don't get done at home, I get done during SRT," Alexander Dougherty (9) said



"In the remainder of my high school years, I would like to reach rank five in my class. I love to read and I get a lot of knowledge from books. I am really proud to be smart," *John Hemmerling (9) said*



"I think that being smart means you have to have good grades and have to understand everything you are learning; yet you have to be wise in your life too," *mena dous (10) said*



"I really try to make good decisions every day. In school, you have to learn not only what is taught, but also to be responsible. I feel that being smart is not only getting good grades, but having common sense," *hannah maron (9) said*

be *brainy* be *easy* be *sharp* be *slick* be *keen* be *intellectual* be *witty* be

be smart

"Being smart means not only having knowledge, but also being open-minded, knowing what you are capable of, and knowing how to deal with other people. I try to give students the tools and opportunities they need to think for themselves," *Miss Rhonda York English said*



Megan Duffy (12) and Megan Harris (12)



Emily LeVine (12)



Sooke Carnahan (11)

BPA, all the way

business Professionals of America, better known as BPA, has been putting time, effort, and dedication into making it all the way to nationals. BPA Nationals was held in Dallas, Texas and nineteen people of the BPA team qualified to go. In order to raise money for the trip, they sold muffins, candy, and cinnamon rolls during SRT and in the morning for two weeks. Considering it had cost over seven hundred dollars per person to attend nationals, food sales seemed like a good idea.

"I'm so excited to go to nationals. We get to go to SixFlags in Texas," Colin Hoernig (12) said.

SixFlags seems like just a small treat, given the fact of how much time they had put into their events in which they participate.

"These kids do a lot of work at home. When they stay after school, we're [BPA team] usually all here until 5:00 or 5:30 p.m. Sometimes I'm here until 8:00. I live BPA," Mrs. Rita Chavez, business, said.

In this club, students do not compete as a whole team; they compete individually or in small teams of three or four.

"I'm competing in Data Base for nationals. I compete by myself, in other competitions I competed in a network design team," Michal Broniek (12) said.

Every BPA member puts in about a hundred hours total when they are practicing for competition. Preparation for one competition even included creating a website. This website can be accessed through Lake Central's home page online.

"Pretty much anything professional, technical, or business related has a place in BPA," Richard Reasons (11) said.

Unfortunately, because of the Swine Flu scare, the national competition in Dallas, Texas was cancelled.

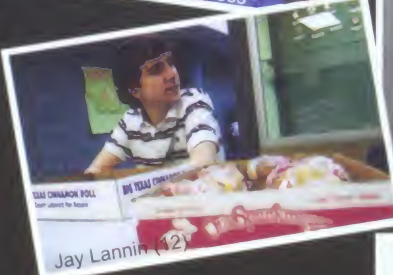
Lani Castaneda and Emily DeMario



Andrew Srisuwananukorn (12) and Richard Reasons (11)



Mrs. Rita Chavez, business



Jay Lannin (12)



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be dedicated: Brett Guiden (12), Jason Macnak (11), and Zachary Nava (11) sell candy and muffins to freshman SRT's to raise money for the their trip to nationals. The BPA students took time out of their schedule at school to sell food for two weeks.

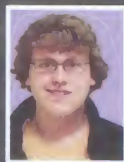
be attentive: Bradley Zditosky (12) and Colin Hoernig (12) discuss the BPA trip to nationals with their sponsor and teammates. Unfortunately, the qualifiers weren't able to make the trip because nationals was cancelled.



2



"My hardest class is Geometry Honors. I need more time than most to apply what I've learned to the problems. I plan to continue taking honors classes until I feel I'm ready for AP classes," *marisha miskus (9) said*



"Being smart means either you know about a lot of different things and use them in your life, or looking at all the things in your life and making the best possible choices," *andrew compank (10) said*



"Being smart is knowing what you need for school plus more. It's also knowing the right decisions to make in life like staying in school, not doing drugs, and keeping friends close," *fabian urquiza (11) said*

be *involved* be *crafty* be *knowledgeable* be *wise* be *intelligent* be *studious*

top advice

The top four of the Senior class



- 1 "Don't get caught up in the small things. Enjoy your time," *mark kolwisch (12) said*
- 2 "Life will be unfair, so just move on. Don't take anything for granted," *shloka kini (12) said*
- 3 "Don't believe McDonalds slogans. Their food will not be fresh," *adam szewciw (12) said*
- 4 "Do something you enjoy doing and not what people expect you to do," *lauren rigg (12) said*



Christie Callahan (11)



Lauren Rigg (11), Kern Clark (11), and Dana Payonk (11)



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distinctive smarts

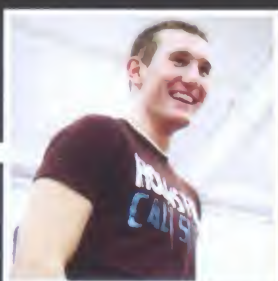
When thinking of the term "smart," people probably think of an AP class, Honors class, or a high GPA. Sure, students who take the strenuous AP classes must be able to understand the material being taught. "[Taking AP English] makes me realize that not everything will be spoon fed to me. I have to learn some of the material on my own," Emily Watson (12) said. An AP class differs from a machine shop class, or an art class; yet all three take knowledge and complete understanding of the subject. "In auto shop, you get first hand experience. Mr. [Dennis] Brannock, [vocational], is right there to correct your mistakes and teach you," Blake Early (11) said. Getting first hand experience is vital to life; this is what is going to take these students far. Being smart is not only taking the hardest classes, or getting good grades. From learning in an AP class, to working with a car in an auto shop, being smart comes in all different forms.



"I am street smart. I can get out of situations very easily. I know everything about everyone. People say I'm the kind of person they want on their side. If I got dropped off in the middle of nowhere, I can find my way home," Lindsey Jones said.

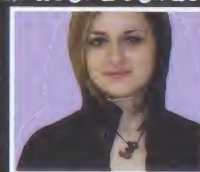


"I am book smart. I put myself to the challenge to succeed. My past teachers told me I had potential. I feel that if I don't do well [in school], I will let myself down. Taking AP and Honors classes is hard, but beneficial," Okuolapo Alli said.



"I am both book smart and street smart. I'm taking all AP and Honors classes because I need a challenge in my life. I always pay attention to my surroundings and try to fully understand what situation I am in," Adam Karcz said.

language *extraordinaire*



Eighteen and fluent in four languages, Natalie Dec (12) was born in Poland and moved to America when she was five. When she started high school, Dec took Spanish and German as her foreign languages. After high school, she has high hopes to learn Arabic and French. Dec will be attending Indiana University Northwest, and wants to join the Peace Core. "It's the thing I love a lot. I met my boyfriend in Spanish. We were both really good," Dec said.

be *unprepared*

“Showing up for class unprepared is like coming to the breakfast table with a box of yummy cereal, throwing away the cereal, and eating the box,”
ms. laverne tokoly, english said”



what a feeling

the students anxiously await as Mr. Jeff Rhody, science, says “get going.” Groans arise from juniors and seniors alike as they realize it’s time for the therapeutic modalities, ways to treat athletic injuries. Students get to experience them first hand, even though it might be done reluctantly.

“I didn’t prepare at all. I don’t think you can prepare for them, you just do it,” Alaina Ciarrocchi (12) said.

Students in this class would probably agree that the slush bucket was the hardest.

“[The most painful was] the slush bucket. It’s twenty minutes with your foot in ice water,” Jacob Ponton (11) said.

Bridget Swope (11) added, “It was the coldest thing I have ever felt in my life.”

Even though it was the most painful, the slush bucket was Ciarrocchi’s favorite. “Even though it was painful at first, I had a lot of fun doing it. Me, Adam Misirly (12), and Mallory Horvat (12) played rock paper scissors to pass the time.”

Not all of the modalities were painful though. Amber Zendzian (11) said hot wax was her favorite, “It felt amazing and was really fun.”

Ponton’s favorite was the HVGS (High Voltage Galvanic Stimulation) machine. “My hand felt good when it was over.”

Besides experiencing these modalities, students had other reasons for taking this class.

“I’m in cross country and track so I found the class to be interesting because it deals with sports injuries,” Ponton said.

Zendzian said, “I enjoy taking classes that have a lot of hands on work, [and] I really enjoy health and medicine classes.”

katie skura and katie torzek



1. be massaged: Amber Zendzian (11) uses the ultrasound machine on Bridget Swope’s (11) arm during Mr. Jeff Rhody’s, science, kinesiology class. For a grade each student must test physical therapy treatments on themselves.



2. be side-tracked: Trying to change their focus, Alaina Ciarrocchi (12) and Adam Misirly (12) play a game of rock, paper, scissors while they were doing the slush bucket. After having their feet in the bucket for a while, Rhody would stir up each bucket to make it colder.



3. be freezing: Jacob Ponton (11) and Andres Luna (11) work on other things and talk to keep their minds off the experience of the contrast bath. They had to go from hot to cold to experience what that felt like.



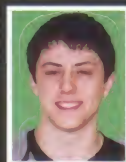
4. be relieved: Finally finishing the therapy, Adam Misirly (12) and Mallory Horvat (12) are allowed to take their legs out of the slush bucket. Most students legs turned red and throbbed throughout the rest of the class period.

be *unaware* be *ill-equipped* be *impromptu* be *impulsive* be *uneasy*



“The time difference and waking up really early is new to me. I wasn’t really prepared for the amount of homework I was given either. I had people telling me what high school was like, so I was okay,”

emily wanderselde (9) said



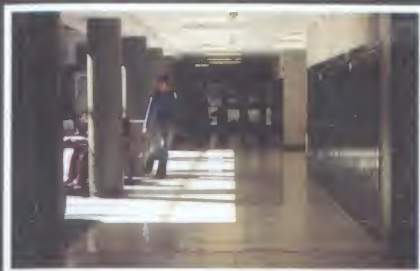
“No one can be prepared for the random things in life. Things just happen, and you’re not going to be able to expect everything that happens. I’m always unprepared for bad drivers,”

russell barry (12) said



“I was so unprepared for Geometry. It’s a lot harder than I thought it was. Everyone told me it was going to be easy, but it wasn’t. I study a lot, and I make sure I have everything before I go to class,”

mallory sivak (10) said



“[To me, being
unprepared
means] not
having what
you need for
that duty,”
ashley cross (9) said

preparing for the future

Many freshmen feel a rush of discomfort as they first walk through the freshman center doors on their first day of school. The new school is so big and different from the comfort zone of their previous middle schools. Feeling unprepared is a common emotion felt by most freshman students. There are several ways to get past that uneasy feeling. Students can join art club, freshman class cabinet or interact, just to name a few. There are many clubs available to freshman students. Being in clubs allow students to mingle and meet other people who have the same type of interests. Getting comfortable is of key importance when coming into a new environment. Just by getting involved students can gain several friendships, not to mention start building up their resumes for college and other future plans.



Adrienne Hoogeveen (11)



Taylor Barnes (12)



Cayssa Courtney (12)

“I’m either going to IUPUI or IU Bloomington. I can’t decide between being a teacher, because I like working with kids, or going in to physical therapy to help people,” Hoogeveen (11) said.

“I’m nervous about starting college because, of the large campus and the hard classes that I’m taking,” Barnes (11) said.

“I am ready to experience new things and just continue furthering my education,” Courtney (12) said.

be nervous be quiet be hopeful be unprepared be not ready be a pro



“I’m unprepared for the future because I’m not sure what I’m going to be doing. I don’t know what I want to be or what I’m going to do with myself for all of my future plans,” Alexander Sklivas (9) said



“School always makes me feel unprepared. Basically, I get nervous about planning what I’m going to do now, and what I’m going to do in the future. Waking up in the morning is difficult,” Hannah Kerstin (11) said



“The term paper snuck up on me. I really slacked a lot, and I didn’t get anything done in time. I thought I had a lot of time and it just came up behind me in the end. I wasn’t ready for it,” James Fife (10) said



"I think not wearing a seat-belt, and not turning off the water when you brush your teeth is being rebellious," *eric hurman (12) said*



"I think it's a thrill to be rebellious because you're getting away with something you shouldn't be doing," *alyssa gawlinski (11) said*



"Being rebellious is when you do stuff behind certain people's backs and get a thrill from doing it and them finding out," *dustin mikolajczak (10) said*

be disobedient be revolutionary be unruly be resistant be turbulent be



Q&A

with Joshua Skalka (12)

Q: What type of body art did you have done and when?

A: "I got my last name tattooed on my back about three months ago, and I also have prayer hands on my right shoulder, which I had for about a year."

Q: Why did you get this done?

A: "I got my last name tattooed on my back because I have always liked it, and if anything happens to me, they will know who I am. I got the prayer hands put on my shoulder in memory of my grandpa who passed ten years ago."



"I decided to try something new, since I was going to cut it anyway. I've had dreads for 7 months now. I'm just kind of letting my hair do whatever it wants," *Ian Linden (11) said.*



"I got this style to be different. I always like the way they looked, and because I felt I should show people what a real mohawk is," *Robert Beemsterboer (11) said.*



"I dyed my hair pink because I get really bored with things easily, and one day I just decided I wanted pink hair so I did it that week," *Mary Genovese (11) said.*



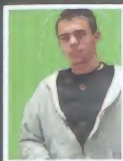
Douglas Petersen (10)
and Nicole Sebahar (10)



sharing a rebellious love

All of us, one way or another, has rebelled against something in our lives. But what happens when you have to rebel against your parents for the person you care about most? "My parents didn't like [Petersen] and wanted to keep me away from him because they thought he was a bad influence," *Nicole Sebahar (10) said.* Sebahar and Douglas Petersen (10) had to secretly date against their parents' wishes for two whole months. "I think keeping our relationship a secret brought us closer as a couple. Since we weren't 'allowed' to even talk, we wanted to even more and tried even harder," *Sebahar said.* Relationships can be challenging on their own, adding disapproving parents can bring even more heartache. "It was worth getting through the few months instead of just giving up," *Sebahar said.* Rebelling can sometimes result in good. Fighting for what you believe in makes the reward that much more fulfilling.

"Express what you want,
how you want, and
change the things you
don't like
around you. Viva la
rebellion,"
scott howell (12) said



"I think being rebellious is when you do illegal things and get away with it,"
ryan grunewald (11) said



"I think all kids in high school are rebellious in their own way. Most of them are in bad ways,"
katherine blessing (11) said

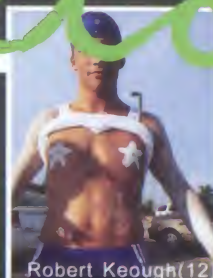


"Being rebellious is living by your own rules and getting away with it,"
magdalene mourahides (11) said

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be rebellious

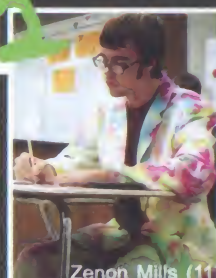
"Sometimes being rebellious, helps you decide who you are or who you are not. Don't think of it as being rebellious, think of it as standing up for what you believe in,"
ms. terri budlowe, business said



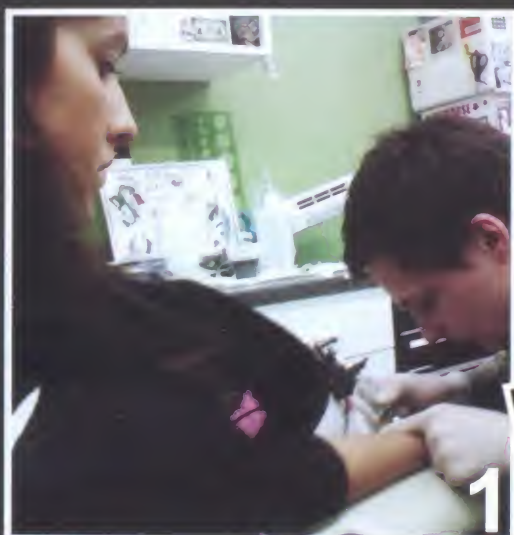
Robert Keough (12)



Ian Lucas (10)



Zenon Mills (11)



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Kellie Butler (11)



Chelsea Migler (12)



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Brittany Massie (11)

a form of rebellion

Some people feel tattoos are a way of rebelling, others see them as a way of self expression. "I think tattoos are the best way to express yourself," Brooke Brady (12) said.

Tattoos can be a way for people to show their true colors.

"I believe they are self-expression, and it is a way to show people who you are," Brittany Massie (11) said.

Body art is rebellious to some, and to others it is just self-expression.

"Some people see them as rebellious, I don't. I see them as a way to express yourself," Chelsea Migler (12) said.

Whether it's a crazy design, a way to support a cause, or a way to remember a loved one, tattoos symbolize different things to different people.

"Tattoos symbolize how important my family is to me and religious beliefs," Brady said.

Tattoos can also be marks left to show where one has been and where one is going in their life.

"To me it symbolizes my past and future as a performer. Performing was, and always will be a part of me, so this is me expressing that," Migler said.

Expressing oneself through tattoos may come at a painful price, though.

"If you want a tattoo, you should get one. Granted it may hurt, I won't lie I cried, but in the end I love my tattoo. It was worth the pain, and my dad laughing at me during the process. (It's okay, me and my dad are close). I don't regret my tattoo decision at all. It was an amazing experience" Migler said.

So tattoos hurt, but no pain, no gain right?

"Tattoos are painful at the time, but people say it's worth it. Getting a tattoo really hurts, and make sure you get something that means something to you," Massie said.

stephanie slevnik and brittney grzesik

1. **be rebellious:** Amanda Pyrz (12) receives her first tattoo at Tainted Skin in Crown Point. Pyrz handled the pain with ease.

2. **be rebellious:** Brooke Brady (12) receives her second tattoo on her foot August 2008 at Tainted Skin in Crown Point, Indiana. Brady felt tatoos are a way of expressing herself.

a star-styled make-over

"I thought it was a joke, actually," Samantha Zahrn (12) said.

This "joke" began when Zahrn simply entered a Vanis Beauty Salon Contest in hopes to win a free make-over. The idea of it being a joke slowly changed as the number of contestants dwindled, first from sixty, then fifteen, and then to six. In the end, Zahrn was pampered with a free makeover complete with a professional photo-shoot; to top it off, her picture went up on a billboard for everyone to see.

"I felt like a model, it was surreal," Zahrn said. Now, isn't that unpredictable?



magee overseas

If you think teachers just teach, grade, sleep and repeat it all the next day, it's time to think twice. You may know Mrs. Rebecca Magee as your World History and/or AP Psychology teacher, but did you know she is an avid world traveller? "I lived in Scotland for six months, and Mexico and Ireland for three. I've been to England, Belgium, France, Spain, the Netherlands, Germany, Austria, Switzerland, and Canada; next summer I am going to South Africa. When I was in Scotland, I studied psychology. They even hooked me up to an EEG. Although Indiana University is the greatest school ever, they never hooked me up to an EEG and recorded my brain waves. After my schooling there, some friends and I decided to go backpacking through Europe. On our way through Germany, I got stuck at a concentration camp and had to meet up with my friends in Austria. I like travelling because everybody is same on a basic level, but the culture is always different," Magee said.

"There are some things
you can control
and some things you can't
That's why life can
be unpredictable
at times. You can expect
the unexpected,"
abigail rowley (11) said



"I think it's unpredictable that I haven't gotten suspended yet because I have so many detentions and Friday schools that I miss because I usually work at Sicilian Joe's on Fridays,"
darius moss (10) said



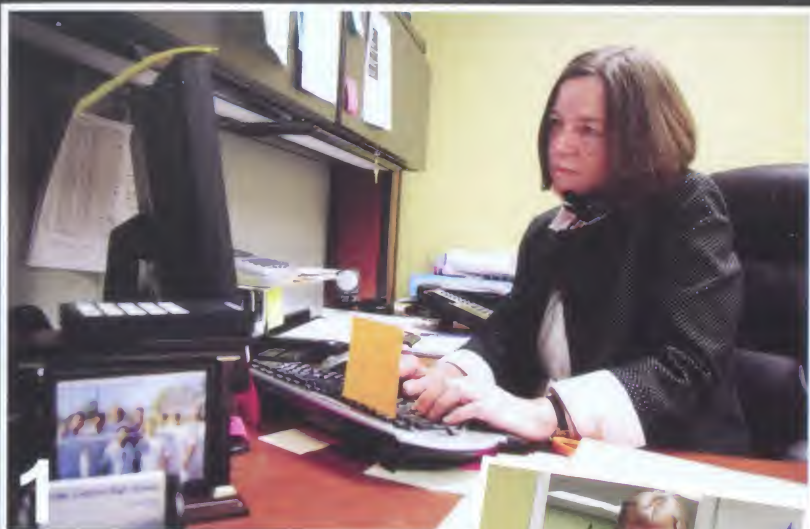
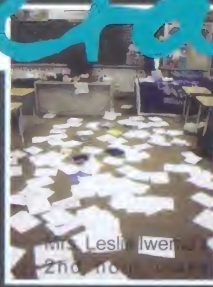
"My sense of humor makes me unpredictable. Being who you are makes you unpredictable. It's not something that you try to be, it just happens. Expand, let every day be new,"
adriano giovane (11) said



"I had never gotten a student of the month before, and out of nowhere, in January, I got four in the mail during the course of one week. I never got any more after that,"
ashley weiner (10) said

be unpredictable

“The unpredictability is what makes my job interesting. It’s what makes the difference between a classroom and the office. It’s as polar opposite from a teacher’s day as you can get, and it’s the best part of it.”
mr. tom powers administration said



maintaining LC

Lake Central has 179 faculty members and 3,142 students. Of those 179 faculty members, ten belong to the custodial staff, and seven are administrators. The custodial staff maintain the building, encountering every unpredictable problem, and the administrators maintain the people, confronting every unpredictable situation. Mrs. Sandie Platt is the building principal, and Mr. Tom Rainwater is the director of maintenance.

“There’s a lot that goes on behind the scenes that the average person doesn’t notice. When people ask me what I do, I tell them I put out fires all day. It’s not like a doctor’s office; we don’t have appointments - we have walk-ins all day long, like an ER,” Platt said.

The stories that can be told about the unpredictability at Lake Central range from flooded hallways to student shenanigans, just ask Mrs. Platt. But the number one most agreeable, unpredictable nuisance is... drum roll please, overflowing toilets.

“I get here at 5:30 every morning and make rounds of the building to make sure everything is ready. [The school] just got new pipes so there hasn’t been nearly as many plumbing problems, but every day the roof still leaks,” Rainwater said. “On a scale of one to ten on how hard it is to keep up with all of the unpredictability here, I’d give it an eight. After awhile though, nothing is unpredictable.”

So just maybe Mrs. Platt was right. Maybe the average person doesn’t notice what it takes to just keep things running. After all, did you?

jennifer gamboa and chris perez

1. be busy: Mrs. Sandie Platt multi-tasks on her computer and phone on an average day. Her job requires she be able to do many things at once.

2. be playful: Custodians Frankie Melcher and Robyn Jones take a break from sustaining Lake Central. These two made their jobs just a little bit more entertaining.

be misused be random be unplanned be changeable be idiosyncratic be



“One day over the summer, I was walking down the street. A dog across the street distracted me and then I tripped over a rock and fell and landed flat on my face. I broke my nose.”
walter michaels (9) said



“Working in the Gator’s Nursery is definitely unpredictable. You never know how many kids you’re going to have or what will happen. Every day is not the same, nothing is predictable.”
kimberley kovacic (12) said



“Over fall break I went on vacation to California. Only, when I was on vacation I got really sick, and ended up missing about two weeks of school and getting really behind in my work.”
elizabeth vangorp (10) said



twilight fanatic

Trisha Shanahan (10) got into reading *Twilight* when she started making fun of a friend for jumping on the *Twilight* bandwagon. "I made fun of it, and she made me read it. I instantly got hooked to it; I loved it immediately," Shanahan said. Shanahan read each book in a day or close to it. "I'd read the books for five hours straight, and if I did not finish it that day I'd read the rest the next morning," Shanahan said. Shanahan is a devoted Team Edward supporter. Her support to the team is the Team Edward bracelet she wears without ever taking it off. Shanahan also marked her own territory in the Scout room by posting pictures of *Twilight* and the cast above her computer. Team Edward can be seen numerous times on the wall. *Twilight* fans all over, including Shanahan, pre-ordered tickets for the movie premiere of *Twilight*. "I absolutely loved the movie. I liked how the book was more descriptive, but the movie had more action. My favorite part was when Edward was in the forest showing Bella all his abilities," Shanahan said.



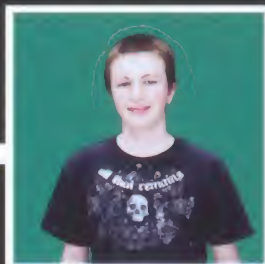
"I'm really into expressing myself. I have ten piercings altogether. I have them on my ears and my tongue. People always like to comment on the lines on my hair,"

ashley cutbert (12) said



"I decided to get dreadlocks to express my individuality. My hair requires little maintenance to keep clean. I think dreadlocks are becoming a popular trend,"

matthew shell (12) said



"I have over thirty band t-shirts. All That Remains is one of my favorite bands. I also have a Trivium and a System of a Down one. I get my shirts from Hot Topic or The Cage,"

william sisk (10) said

most hated music artists

1. miley cyrus 35%
2. jonas brothers 27%
3. beyonce 18%
4. chris brown 15%
5. metro station 5%

"I don't understand how a girl wearing a wig or three guys that can't sing and try to be attractive to 12-year-olds could be considered cool,"

christina dal santo (11) said

*100 students surveyed

mrs. cyndi hurley:

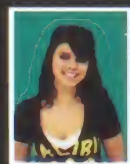
a trendsetting teacher



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Bangles Boutique in Valparaiso

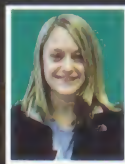
I am inspired to follow trends by:
Myself. I wear what I like.

The trend I hate to see among my students is:
Low-cut shirts.



"This year I wore scarves and skinny jeans,"

angelica koponis (10) said



"I like Northfaces because they're really warm. I have two: a brown one and a white one,"

emily hendrickson (9) said



"I don't really follow any trends. I try to be myself and make my own trends,"

loni stasiński (10) said

be trendy

"I first read Twilight last year, after I saw a lot of my students reading it. I instantly became addicted. I like how romantic the story is, and I think more young men should read it to get some love advice."

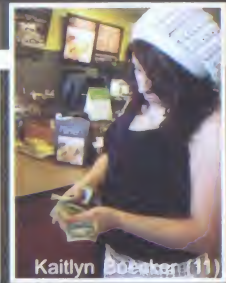
Miss Rachel Thomas Foreign Language said



Kyle Weber (12)



Katelin Smierciak (10)



Kaitlyn Becker (11)



Alexander Hernandez (10), Shane Reinsin (10), Jeremiah Dimopoulos (10), Adam Bastie (10), Ryan Recupido (10), Steven Rynne (10), Jonathan Salazar (10), Raina Zona (11)



Flannel Friday



Dress Up Wednesday



Flannel Friday



Dress Up Wednesday



Aaron Terry (12), Nicholas Martinez (11), Christopher Wartman (12)

the new trend war

Starting a new trend has become... well, a trend. Dress Up Wednesday's trend has become popular among the student population. "I saw people doing it, so I tried it, stuck to it and at first I felt weird, but I liked how it is unexpected," Nicholas Martinez (11) said.

Although Dress Up Wednesday is popular, Flannel Friday has started to gain some new supporters. Flannel Friday started accidentally when a group of friends all wore flannel on a Friday. After that random coincidence, they formed Flannel Friday.

"Flannel Friday started in my freshman year, and after we all accidentally wore flannel on Friday, it became a tradition to wear flannel on every Friday," Raina Zona (11) said.

Dress Up Wednesday fans are loyal to their formal wear every Wednesday and stick to it like peanut butter and jelly.

"I want to dress up for as long as I can before people tell me to just stop doing it," Martinez (11) said.

Some have been dressing up even before Dress Up Wednesday came to be.

"It is not really a surprise that I dress up every Wednesday because in all my yearbook pictures I am wearing a suit," Aaron Terry (12) said.

Flannel Friday supporters feel Dress Up Wednesday has too much effort that needs to be put in.

"Flannel is better because it is more laid back, plus I do not think I have any formal wear," Alexander Hernandez (10) said.

Whether one is more interested in spicing up their Wednesday with formal wear or more fascinated with a laid back Friday, Dress Up Wednesday or Flannel Friday, these trends seem to be sticking around due to their loyal followers.

tiffany parlovic and kristi bowen

1. be new: Flannel Friday supporters proudly display their flannel shirts. "I love exotic colors on my flannel shirts. Colors that no one would wear," Alexander Hernandez (10) said.

2. be stylish: Dress Up Wednesday supporters model their formal wear with pride. "I like to be center of attention when I wear suits, it makes me feel good," Nicholas Martinez (11) said.

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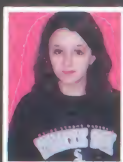
"I saw Watchmen in theaters. I thought it was amazing. I would go buy it once it comes out on DVD," Daniel Debnick (12) said



"I like to wear Ugg Boots. I have three pairs. I have grey, beige, and black Ugg Boots," Jamie Arcola (11) said



"Everyone wears shutter shades, like Kanye West. I don't like him, but he's a pop culture icon, and he is creative," Zachary Spraggner (11) said



"I look on the Internet and watch CNN, and I read the newspaper every morning. In Career Planning we need to have current events so I would say I'm pretty informed," *carlin fritka (10) said*



"To keep informed with my friends, I mostly just talk to them at school. Watching the announcements during school keeps me informed about what's going on at school," *kenneth harris (9) said*



"I watch the news every morning before I go to school to keep myself informed. Usually my friends contact me about anything new that's going on," *ashley olenek (11) said*

be educated be learned be expert be aware be enlightened be knowledgeable

be informed

"I watch the news and CNN every day. All of my classes do current events. We need to be aware of the world we live in. We're not isolated over here, we're part of the world too. The students of LC need to know about world events, or at least attempt to,"

mr. todd smolinski social studies said



Alex Lang (12)



Mrs. Teresa Zentz



Joseph Calderaro (11)

on air: LCTV

Good morning Lake Central, these are your daily announcements. These words are spoken at the last 20 minutes of SRT. The LCTV staff is responsible for informing the entire school about the latest events and updates.

"I decided freshman year that I wanted to start LCTV as a sophomore. LCTV is such a fun class, and it's a great way to get well-known throughout the school and a great way to meet a lot of students and staff," Frank Ruvoli (12) said.

Coming up with segments for every other day of school can be a challenge.

"We look for new events at LC and bring our imagination into that segment," Jill Sanders (11) said.

The staff has to keep up with all of the different things going on at school all at once.

"I believe LCTV keeps the school informed through the regular announcements, but also finds out other in-depth stories on what is going on around LC with the clubs, sport teams, and students," Ruvoli said.

LCTV utilizes special effects and green screens to help complete their segments.

"When I was a freshman, I was fascinated by all the effects and how everyone was together having fun," Alexandra Kuersten (12) said.

The staff's leadership comes from their two student directors, Kuersten and Ruvoli, and their adviser, Mrs. Laura Zeller.

"I'm student director. I love to help everyone and make executive decisions," Kuersten said.

LCTV takes simple information and turns it into entertainment for the school.

"My favorite part of being part of LCTV is being able to make people laugh and enjoy school, both in class and on air," Ruvoli said.

colleen muelmurry and rebecca kimberly



Scott Jarecki (12)



Amanda Garton (12), Britni Weiner (12)



be interrogative: Britni Weiner (12) interviews Grant McCormack (11) for an ad on the announcements. Weiner asked McCormack several questions about the theater production he was advertising, "Death By Chocolate."

be concentrated: Melissa Gbur (11) and Alexandra Kuersten (12) work together at a computer during SRT. The LCTV staff works both during 5th hour and SRT to get all of their work done.





"I listen to the news and read what's going on. I use the computer and call my friends to keep informed with them,"
ashley winters (10) said



"I'm not informed. I don't try to be. I only care about certain things going on. I mostly just keep informed with my friends,"
cameron sweeney (11) said



"I pay attention, listen to the announcements at school if I can hear them. I read articles on the Internet and magazines, or watch TV to hear about things going on in the world,"
myles long (12) said

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"As far as notifying students, we use the senior newsletter and Edline. It's hard to be a counselor right now because the state's changing a lot of things and it's difficult to keep up,"
mrs. sandy wright
guidance said

"We meet with seniors twice a year, and with juniors once a year. I'm always calling students in to talk about scheduling and colleges. I'm always looking for new information,"
mrs. karen bowman
guidance said

"We send out information through the announcements. The seniors get a newsletter, and we send notes to students. Our website has information on it, and sometimes it's just word of mouth,"
mrs. lauren chappell
guidance said

informing about your opinion

"In Biology, we were talking about evolution, and I whipped out my Bible, and I was like, 'Look here, this is what happened. This is how it went down.' I said, 'Adam and Eve, no monkeys, no evolution.' People don't think I would be like, biblically related and all that, but I am. Why wouldn't I stand up for what I believe in? I know a lot about the Bible, but not everything. I know what's important. I'm really opinionated about it, and I want to let other people know about it,"



daniel tirado-barbault
said (10).



extra! extra!

When there's big news, there's one group of people that makes sure the entire student body is informed. Scout, the student-run newspaper, sends out an issue once a month.

"An issue of Scout typically contains 8 pages. This year one of my major goals was to incorporate a variety of content so as to attract a wider variety of readers. Keeping that goal in mind, the contents of a regular issue of Scout tend to cover a large spectrum of potential reader interests," Anita Thomas (12) said. Besides Scout's regular monthly issue, they also create special issues for certain topics.

"A special edition of Scout contains a large amount of information about one topic. Special editions are reserved for topics of great importance; topics which the Scout staff feels our audience needs to know a lot about. The other type of special edition that Scout may produce is more of a 'fun' issue. Either way, special editions contain more photos and alternative copy than an average issue," Thomas said. Special editions require more creative thought and insight from the staff.

"The special edition issues are usually the spawn of one or two people coming up with a fun creative idea," Matthew Cashen (12) said.

Whether it's a regular issue, or a special edition, Scout is always there to keep the school informed.



Information is the knowledge I learn from the day to day hardships I deal with. The information is real life experiences,

justin paulina (10) said

be

careful

"The path you take today will take you into tomorrow. Choose your path carefully,"
miss Rachel Johnson Johnson said



Haley Bartolomei (9)



Brittany Massie (11)



Andrew Siegle (12)

playing it safe

every sport demands practice, desire, and dedication. Athletes need to work hard to achieve their goal and push themselves to their limits. However, there's certain athletes that constantly need precision and certainty in their actions.

With all the sports played in the school and the athletes that participate in them, there's a few that require the extra concentration, and the extra caution. "When you're high jumping, you don't want to jump on a diagonal because you could snap your back on the bar or roll your neck," Alyssa Boyle (11) said.

Track and field isn't the only sport that requires full attention. Tennis players need to keep their eyes open and maintain a keen sense of their surroundings. "You always have to be on your feet and moving around. You always have to anticipate when the next shot is going to be, and you need to use precision with all of your shots to aim them where the other player isn't at," Colleen McElmurry (10) said.

Tennis players also need to be extra careful about hitting the ball out of bounds or hitting the ball into the net, which could ultimately cost them a point.

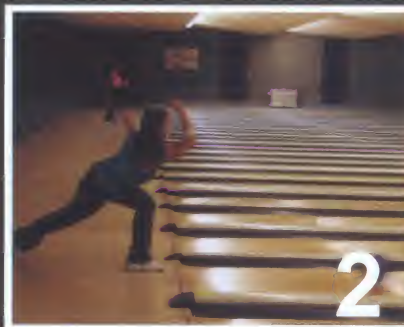
The boys and girls who bowl also know about being careful. Not only do they have to be careful about where they throw the bowling ball, but they have to know how to throw it. "You have to watch the speed of your arm swing so you don't injure your shoulder or arm," Alex Quilici (11) said. Smart bowlers know exactly the consequences of a slip, a wrong flick of the wrist, or a hair out of place. It could be the reason for a loss or a win.

Whether it's concentrating on making it over the hurdle, hitting the correct pins, or serving the ball in the right direction, every sport has its reasons to be safe, be aware, and be careful.

emily garza and tree flores



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1. be flexible: Alyssa Boyle (11) leaps over the bar during her high jump event for track. Boyle kept a close eye and stayed concentrated in order to make it safely over the bar.

2. be concentrated: Katie Sexton (11) concentrates during a bowling practice. She held her position as her bowling ball darted down the middle of the lane toward the pins.

3. be precise: Colleen McElmurry (10) leans in to hit the ball back across the court during a tennis match at Crawfordville. The girls played at three different locations for the match.

be cautious be alert be suspicious be focused be smart be watchful be



"My definition of being careful is staying focused and thinking before you do something,"
alissa boyle (11) said



"I think being careful is using common sense when it is needed because I prefer doing the right thing over anything else,"
alex quilici (11) said



"When I play volleyball out of school, I'm careful that I don't run into anyone and hit the ball in someone's face,"
brittany massie (11) said

the weighing issue

wrestlers watch the lbs. in order to maintain their goal weight



"I'm very careful with what I eat and I make sure that I don't eat any fattening foods,"

Brandon Henderson (12) said

"I actually try to eat more to stay in my weight class. I don't really need to watch what I eat,"

Justin Johnson (11) said



"I train hard, keep the sweat going, wear a lot of clothes, and I don't stop working out,"

Jason Hester (11) said



Megan Blais (10) and Randi Kass (10)



Lauren Ross (12) and Kim Kohler (12)



Kim Kohler (12)

students keep concentrated

Labs and activities during a science class is a different way for students to learn the material other than sitting in desks the entire hour, but keeping safety a priority is something all students in the classroom learn from the beginning. "Mr. Hamish constantly reminds us to wear our safety goggles and aprons during labs," Lauren Ross (12) said. Even though students need to be reminded to be cautious during classroom labs, sometimes following the rules isn't always on the top of the priority list and can have consequences if not properly followed. "My teacher, Ms. [Stephanie] Prescia, is a stickler when it comes to rules, and if you don't follow them, she'll make sure you get punished for it," Phillip Foreman (11) said. If the classroom isn't a safe environment to learn in and everyone doesn't take caution in their actions, students won't be able to discover the fascinating things teachers want to show us.

making the right move

the precision of a roller skater



Q: How long have you been roller skating?

A: I've been skating for 12 years, but I quit last year.

Q: How did you get into skating?

A: My mom used to skate when she was a kid, and my aunt has always been my coach.

Q: What is your biggest accomplishment?

A: Making it to the Worlds twice. I got 4th place in Australia and 5th place in Taiwan.

Richard Johnson (10) said

Mr. [David] Hamish always stresses the importance of us being careful with the chemicals and mixtures,

Lauren Ross (12) said

be worried be aware be conscious be attentive be safe be knowledgeable



"Being careful to me means thinking things through before you do it and being prepared for whatever happens,"

Kara Masse (11) said



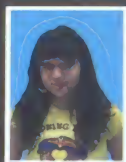
"When I practice driving with my parents, I'm careful by putting on my seatbelt because it's better to be safe than sorry,"

Narsha Massie (9) said

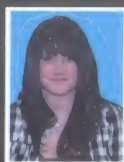


"I'm careful walking through the halls by not running into anyone and dodging all the people that are running towards me,"

Andra Koloski (12) said



"Support, I think, in a way encourages me to be productive. It makes you more motivated,"
Fedah Shatat (12) said



"When I go to the store, I put change in cancer fund collectors. A lot of people are unfortunate, and it motivates me to help them because I feel bad that they have to go through something like that,"
Kara Gonzalez (11) said



"Support helps me when I'm running. Girls are cheering me on and I don't quit. I push it to the limit,"
Anna Beggs (10) said

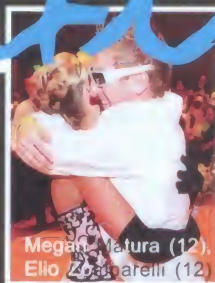
be back up be life be helpful be loyal be caring be compassionate

be supportive

"Supportiveness is like a constellation. If we are all connected then surely all our lives will be brighter,"
Mrs. Kimberly Modrowski said.



Boys Varsity Soccer



Megan Matura (12),
Ello Zambarelli (12)



Lyle Oneven (12),
Charles Fields III (12),
Lauren DeYoung (12)

show yours

Supportiveness is like a constellation, if we are all connected, then surely our lives would be brighter," Mrs. Kim Modrowski said.

"Supportiveness is a demonstrative and slow process of 'hanging in there.' Supportive people want to be the 'rock' while providing consistency and resiliency. Sometimes people are on board and ready to accept the support, and yet others could take a lot of time. Supportiveness is as delicate as trust because once you lose it; it is difficult to open the door again.

"The supportive process is a diligent effort of careful insightfulness. I try to treat people delicately. Sometimes I know the details, but most of the time I do not. We all come to the table with baggage: supportive people help each other develop their resiliency so the load is lighter. I ardently believe that I can be 'there' for some, while still honoring my own respect and authority and value system.

"The old adage of 'helping others helps yourself' manifests itself then I sense my connection with another. It is an overwhelming feeling of peace, and I understand 'why here and why now?'" Modrowski said.

"Being supportive is not difficult, nor does it require too much effort. It's not exhausting to lend a hand or a crying shoulder to someone who needs it more than you. Eventually, everything comes back to you. If you're naturally supportive, people will support you. Whether it's believing in someone or helping someone achieve their goal, there's never an excuse to not support a person who needs it most," Adam Kobus (11) said.

Jeremy Harrison and Karman Weathersby



- 1. be in too deep:** English teacher, Mr. Adam Tenbarge, wades in knee deep water in front of his house in Munster. Tenbarge was forced to evacuate his home in the September flood and returned to find his basement destroyed.
- 2. be devastated:** A pool of water lies still in the front of Mr. Adam Tenbarge's Munster home. The storm that swept through the region managed to force Munster residents to evacuate.
- 3. be a volunteer:** Outside of Mr. Adam Tenbarge's home, sits a pile of possessions that had to be removed due to the floods that swept through Northwest Indiana in September. Some students pitched in by helping remove some of his belongings.



"Especially in hard times you need support, but every day you can use it to feel good about yourself,"
matthew duran (10) said



"Support motivates me to be more successful in sports and in life in general,"
tyler graves (11) said



"I'm a supportive person because I care about my friends and other people,"
sean rickerham (12) said

be *encouraging* be *involved* be *reliable* be *hopeful* be *trustworthy*

12's company



Freshman Brittany Williams is the oldest of twelve children. If anyone knows support, it's Williams. "When it comes down to family, it's time to always be supportive," Williams said. "I encourage my family, mainly my little brothers and sisters, to do what they want to do. I tell them to try their best, and they can accomplish the things they want to," Williams said. "I try to be there when they need help or need to talk. My family and being supportive is important to me," Williams said.

"I love my family, and I don't know where I would be today without them,"

brittany williams (9) said

"Support is essential because trying to accomplish something alone can be difficult, and you may need help from others,"

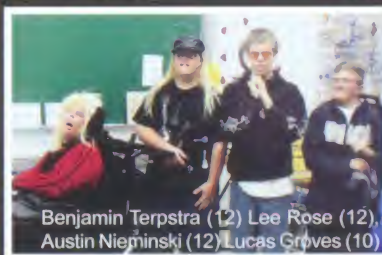
matthew crytzer (11) said



Lee Rose (12)



Andrew Kranc (12) Joseph Soltis (11)
Courtney Price (10) Derek Williams (11)



Benjamin Terpstra (12) Lee Rose (12)
Austin Nieminski (12) Lucas Graves (10)

be like westlake

Support, in any relationship, is an absolute necessity: never overlooked, never overrated. Support is just as essential as the air we breathe. It is the emotional ground we build ourselves upon, for a house built on sand will surely fall. Westlake breathes support. Westlake is a program dedicated to the success of those with mental disabilities. The staff and students involved in the Westlake program have participated in many school activities and holidays. Lee Rose (12), a Westlake student, decided that he would take part in St. Baldricks on March 19, 2009. Rose had made his decision the week of the event, but still managed to raise \$405 for the cause. After Rose had his head shaved, other students in the West Lake Program were waiting to congratulate and high five him.

HAVE A HEART FOR AFRICA HAVE A HEART FOR AFRICA HAVE A HEART FOR AFRICA
BE SUPPORTIVE FOR AFRICA

Heart for Africa is a nonprofit organization that specializes in taking volunteers to Africa to help with orphanages and provide self-sustainable children's homes.



"The people over there are so excited to see people willing to help,"

mrs. rachel thomas, chemistry, said.

be happy

“To me happy is at the end of the day knowing that I have accomplished something and crossed at least one item off my crazy list. And of course food makes me happy.”
Mrs. Teresa Zentz, social studies, said



Mark Bottger (1)



Diana Dieguez (1)

behind the curtain

the cast of the spring musical, *Beauty and the Beast*, came together to further entertain and interact with their audience. They held “Belle’s Ball” on a Saturday before one of their performances. Belle’s Ball was an event for younger children to come and have a chance to meet the characters of the musical.

“We went around and did autographs and pictures, then we did the “Be Our Guest” dance. Finally, we introduced ourselves. We also danced with all the kids,” Kelly Bourget (10) said.

This is the first time that the cast of the musical has held an activity like this.

“I was excited when I was asked to organize and participate in Belle’s Ball because I knew how much fun the children and adults would have during the ball, and I wanted to be a part of the fun,” Christy Paulauski (12) said.

Since the cast was performing the musical after the ball, they felt more incentive to perform to the best of their abilities.

“During Belle’s Ball I had the chance to meet several kids. I enjoyed spending time with them and then once on stage I felt the need to make them proud, and so I did my best to portray my character,” Paulauski said.

Not only were the theater students trying to entertain the kids, the kids were entertaining the theater students as well.

“My favorite part was greeting the kids because they all looked so in awe of us and they looked so excited to be there,” Faith Donovan (10) said.

With all the smiles, the event seemed to be a success.

“All of the kids were smiling and having fun, and it was a real treat to go outside the box with my character,” Bourget said.

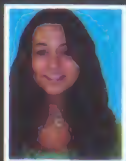
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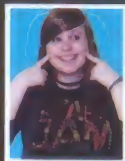
1. be funny: Grant McCormack (11) dances at Belle’s Ball while girls attending the ball watch. “Pretty much all the chorus members were interacting with the kids and making sure they had a good time. I had a lot of fun,” McCormack said.

2. be exhilarated: Milana Katic (11) dances with some of the girls at Belle’s Ball. “I had to act very cheesy. My job was to dance with all the girls. It was really fun,” Katic said.

ecstatic be cheerful be chipper be delighted be merry be thrilled



“Being with my best friends makes me happy because they’re my favorite,”
cecilia urquiza (9) said



“Being with my friends in school makes me happy. I got lucky with my friends in my classes this year,”
bethany smithka (11) said



“What makes me happy during school is being able to see all my friends and knowing that school is almost over. Outside of school, watching the school plays makes me happy,”
angelica dulin (10) said



Justin-Cory Nesbitt (11),
Alyssa Gallegos (10)



GOLDEN TOUCH TAN
I never got to catch your name but you were sitting behind the counter of Golden Touch Tan. I felt a connection once when our eyes met. Will you go to the Prom with me? **When: Tuesday April 14, 2009. Where: Golden Touch Tan. You: Woman. Me: Man. #903282**

"Happiness doesn't mean that everything in your life is perfect. Happiness is seeing the good in everything and everyone and knowing you have done everything you can to be the best you can be,"

erny schweiger (10) said

keeping a tradition

Asking a date to Prom can be a nerve-wracking experience, but coming up with an original plan to do it has been a long-standing tradition. "I wanted to ask Alyssa Gallegos (10) to prom in a creative way by putting a note on a remote-controlled car then driving it up to the door. The note said something like, 'you make my heart race, will you go to prom with me?'" She was very surprised. She really liked it so she said yes," Justin-Cory Nesbitt (11) said. Jonathan Hurley (12) also came up with a "cute" idea. "I took [Melissa Magdos (12)] to dinner and a movie, then we went to my grandparents' golf course. I opened the trunk of my car and there was a rose and a poster that said 'Prom?' on it," Hurley said. Thomas Fitzpatrick (12) had an idea that showed even well-thought out plans don't always work out. He had talked to the editor of the newspaper "Chicago Reader" about placing an ad to ask Nina DiMaggio (12) to prom. The editor told him the ad would make it in the paper, but it wasn't there in time. "He seemed kind of disappointed at first that he had to show me the ad online, but I was ecstatic," DiMaggio said.

"gotta get some!"

Otis Spunkmeyer cookies were sold three times throughout the year, during lunches, passing periods, and SRT. International Thespian Society sold the cookies twice to support their organization, and Color Guard had a fundraiser with the cookies once. For some people, these special cookie sales brightened their day. As the Otis Spunkmeyer bags claim, "Happiness is a fresh-baked cookie."

"Our color guard coach thought of it as a way to raise money. people looked forward to it,"

madeleine carlson (9) said

"Biting into one of these cookies was like taking a bite of heaven. They were delicious,"

cesar pulido (10) said



never-ending happiness

"I'm always happy because just seeing my friends puts me in a really great mood. I laugh a lot and I smile at as many people as I can. Being happy really helps give me energy and makes my days a lot more fun,"

rebecca garcia (10) said

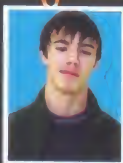


"Running around outside, going to the park, and going on random adventures makes me happy. Being happy all the time makes me more optimistic about things, and my smiles are passed on to other people,"

brooke hurzyk (12) said

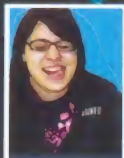


be *gleeful* be *lively* be *glad* be *jolly* be *content* be *joyful* be *sm*



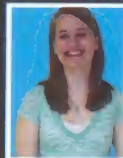
"Me being happy means my sister's not there. My girlfriend usually makes me happy during school,"

zachary ekhoff (9) said



"U.S. History with [Mr. Tom] Clark, [social studies], makes me happy. He just talks about all the current events. It's a great class,"

kimberly estey (11) said



"Laughing in the summertime makes me happy because my friends are what I love the most,"

abigail melvin (10) said

be helpful

"This year when we did the toy drive. Because of the economy, a lot of kids needed our help. There was a lot of support for the drive this year, and I think it was an eye-opening experience,"



Allison Penilla (12), Mr. Volk



Mrs. Donna Martin, Math, Sarah Sweeney (12)



Lauren Ross (12), Kim Koehler (12)

LC's favorite snack

Students' favorite snack has become popcorn. The Westlake popcorn sales have become a favorite part of lunch, and they are a huge benefit to the Westlake program.

"I like seeing the different faces that come. Many of the people here at Lake Central seem really nice," Emily Banning (10) said.

The Westlake program purchased the popcorn machine earlier this year, and all the money they make from it goes back into the program. They use it for community outings such as recently taking a trip to Jump Central, and having a meal at a restaurant.

"I like collecting the money. I meet a lot of people," Erika Hernandez (11) said.

Not only do the popcorn sales earn money for outings, but they improve vocational skills. Learning how to use money, working with people, and having small jobs are all great benefits from the sales.

"It's a lot of work," said George Scalchas (12).

The line for popcorn at the end of lunch usually stretches from the juice bar to the middle of the town square. Even with popcorn being sold every day, students still want the snack.

"I always catch them [the Westlake Aids] sneaking and snacking on the popcorn," Hernandez said.

The students work through all four lunches. There are different groups of kids that rotate everyday.

"I like all of the jobs there are," Jinah Kim (11) said.

The students and the aids say that most of the students they meet during popcorn sales are nice, polite, and respectful. The Westlake Students get to recognize new faces everytime they sell the snack.

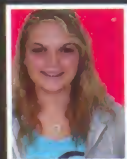
megan trincot and megan wojcik



1. **be helpful:** Derrick Sanchez (10) helps bag the popcorn at lunch. The students had to keep up with the high demand for popcorn at lunch.

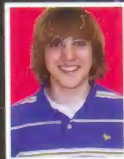
2. **be smiley:** Erika Hernandez (11), Jessica Willis (12), Jinah Kim (11), George Scalchas (12), and Emily Banning (10) make up one of the popcorn groups. They each had worked as money collectors, and popcorn baggers.

be generous be considerate be useful be proud be valuable be accommodate



"Being an aid cuts down on a lot of the work a teacher has to do. I grade tests and run errands for Mrs. [Sarah] Roth, [social studies], and I think it is important, because teachers have a lot of work,"

brittany mueller (10) said



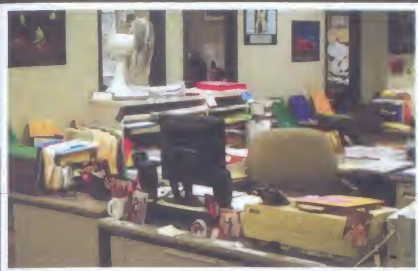
"I send missing assignments down to the guidance office when people in the class are absent. What I help with makes a teacher's job go faster, when I help with tasks,"

adam hughes (11) said



"I help by grading papers, and running errands. It looks good on a college application, and it is a way to volunteer extra time that I have since I already have enough credits,"

kayla mutharek (10) said



Katherine Gerget (11)



Shannon Farrer (10) and Kristin Gerget (11)

"I saw this girl fall down the stairs, and this cute boy helped her up, and carried her books. Instead of laughing, he helped her,"
marina mogabesco (10) said

more than just scheduling

Most of us only see our counselors when two of the classes we really want to take conflict, or when we schedule at the end of every year. But our guidance counselors offer career help, college planning, a junior to senior to college transition plan, help signing up for college preparatory tests like the ACT and SAT, and assistance with any kind of personal, social, or family problems. "Miss Bankroff is just somebody to go and talk to when I have a problem," Katherine Gergets (11) said. Gergets said that she can trust her counselor, and that her counselor can't judge her on what she says. When you end up with a scheduling problem, counselors are always there to advise and help. "I went to her about summer school and to change my schedule. She's very helpful and pretty cool," Shannon Farrer (10) said.

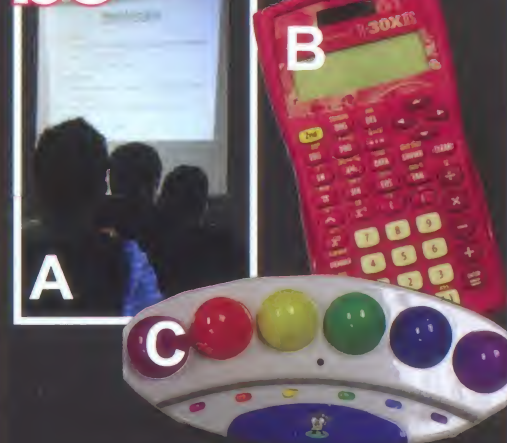
be a dance assistant

Victoria Studer (10) has taken her love of dance a step further by deciding to help with younger students at her dance studio. She helps with students ages 5-10 at Patti's All-American Studio in Dyer. She even traveled to Disney World with her team this winter. By being an assistant, she will be eligible to become a teacher on her own starting next year. Studer said she loves working with the kids because they are always cute and fun.

"Once, a little girl handed me a piece of string and told me to sleep with it, just because she had nothing else to give me. It was adorable," Studer (10) said.



be technology friendly



match these teachers with their pieces of classroom technology

- 1) "This piece of technology provides students with a greater opportunity for success," Mrs. Val Gardner, math, said.
- 2) "I try to incorporate games into every class," Mrs. Rebecca Dailey, foreign languages, said.
- 3) "I use it for notes, and for movies," Mrs. Nancy Tilka, foreign languages, said.

Answers: 1) B, 2) C, 3) A

being improving be involved be cooperative be friendly be helpful



"I aid for Mr. [Bill] Melby, [math]. I sit there and grade papers, and run errands for him. It can be helpful to be an aid for teachers who need help. I will aid for someone again in the future,"
van mach (10) said



"I like aiding for the office because it gives me a lot of things to do like answer phone calls and run passes. Sometimes we do odd jobs like hanging up posters and delivering different things,"
van mach (10) said



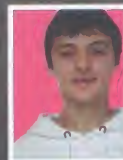
"In the office we basically sit in the back, answer phone calls, and run passes for anything. It's a lot of fun because during SRT, I don't do anything, so I decided to do it,"
chown mach (10) said



"I have to be quiet during school when teachers talk about things that I disagree with, but I can't argue,"
nicholas diMaggio (9) said



"When I'm taking a test in class and other people finish before I do, I want it to still be quiet,"
elizabeth long (11) said



"I'm quiet when teachers want me to be quiet. They want me to be quiet when I'm talking too much or when the class is noisy,"
joshua macFarlane (9) said

unexpressed be *whisper* be noiseless be hushed be speechless be *mute*



Emily Schilling (12)



Dominic Podsiadlik (12), Emily Schilling (12)



Libertine Ilagana (12)

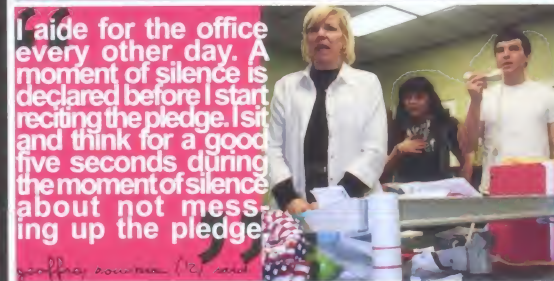
student resource time

Some teachers, such as Ms. Rita Laskey, foreign language, feel that SRT is a time for students to work quietly and be productive. "Right from the beginning she told us that it would be a quiet SRT. To break the silence, students start talking to Ms. Laskey or go to a different SRT," Emily Schilling (12) said. Students find different ways to cope with the quiet of the room. "Sometimes it gets too quiet. If you're not doing homework, and it's kind of uncomfortable, so you always want something to do in this class," Dominic Podsiadlik (12) said. There is a noticeable difference in the work ethics of students in SRT's with different rules. "Usually the silence is kind of nice, but when there's nothing to do, I almost want to fall asleep because it's so quiet. In an SRT that's not as quiet as this one, I know I wouldn't get as much done," Lauren Dermody (12) said.

good morning
lake central- please stand
for a moment of reflection
& the pledge.

The moment of reflection reminds
me to **respect** the men and
women who **fight** for
this country which allows
me to stand up **freely**
& recite the pledge
every morning.

anthony klimczak (12) said

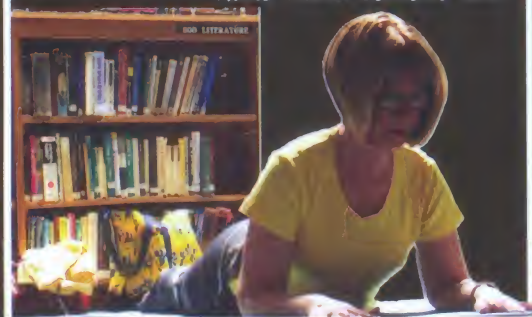


I aide for the office
every other day. A
moment of silence is
declared before I start
reciting the pledge. I sit
and think for a good
five seconds during
the moment of silence
about not mess-
ing up the pledge.

gaffney cornman (12) said

be relaxed

"I've been teaching yoga for almost thirteen years. I've taught students here [the library], and I've also taught an adult class. I've had people say is comforting to do yoga surrounded by all these books. It's cozier. When you're doing yoga, you should be listening to your body and reflecting,"
mrs. wanda cornello said



"I am quiet so I can listen. When you're requested to speak, you're better heard rather than if you talk throughout class. If you're quiet you don't really put yourself out there for people to judge, and you just keep to yourself,"
auburn swell (12) said



"I like to think I'm quiet because I'm different, but I am just shy. Usually something gets messed up between my brain and my mouth, which really doesn't help. So I just say something about pizza. Everyone likes pizza,"
matthew sharp (12) said



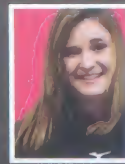
"I really just am a quiet person, but it depends on the person I am with. I am quiet in school so I can pay attention and learn something. Quiet is a sense of relaxation and peace for me,"
selia lai (12) said



"I'm usually quiet during SRT so that I can finish my work. It helps me to concentrate," *alyssa zysko (9) said*



"When I first come in the morning it feels weird when it's quiet. If it's really quiet I feel like I might be late," *nathan compasich (9) said*



"When I'm taking a test I have to be quiet. It helps me to focus and allows me to do better on the test. When other people aren't quiet, it irritates me," *nicole knissen (9) said*

be silent be peaceful be soundless be uncommunicative be still be

be quiet

"A quiet library is an empty library. It seems to me that when the space is filled with inquisitive, working students there is bound to be some noise. They are talking to one another or asking questions of their teacher or me. While I am not encouraging crazy loudness in the library, I do realize that the days of the 'shushing' librarian are long gone," *ms melode beler librarian said*



1. be silent: Kylie Sutkowski (10) covers her mouth to represent the Day of Silence. Sutkowski also wore a decorated t-shirt to exhibit her support for the day.

2. be spirited: Ashley Cuthbert (12) shows her support for the Day of Silence. Cuthbert used this day to express her views.

louder than words

Each year, students choose to remain silent for one day in order to show support for people who quietly hide their sexuality every day.

"I've done this every year since I was a sophomore. I wore the rainbow ribbon, and I stayed quiet throughout the day. If I had to talk, I wrote it on a piece of paper. I participated in this event, because I feel it's worthy," Thomas Plummer (12) said.

For some students, this day may be a reason to show others who they really are.

"It's one of the only days I can openly express myself in another way people will notice," Ashley Cuthbert (12) said.

Many students embrace a day without words as a way of making a statement and showing support for loved ones in their lives.

"I've participated in the day of silence for three years. It's not hard to do. I do it to support my friends and family. The Day of Silence shows support, and it shows that this is more widely accepted. I wish that more people participated," Alyssa Skarbek (11) said.

While some students are quiet out of respect for others, many students participate for much more personal reasons.

"I know first hand what it is like to remain silent about my sexuality. To me, the day of silence means doing something bold to show what it's like to plead the fifth," Plummer (12) said.

The reasons for participating in this day are varied. Although it may be a day of silence, the statement made by these students is heard very loud.

"The more people that participate, the more widely accepted this will become. I think this encourages more and more people each year to become a part of it and support it," Skarbek (11) said.

nina di Maggio and Morgan Goldsmith
quiet 077



"I try to save my money; I only spend it on things if I really want them. I usually save my money for clothes and different things I want,"
Courtney Myers (9) said



"I work for a construction company, and I budget both my spending and saving money. I am saving for a car, college, and for when I move out of the country to Germany,"
Kyle Fastabend (10) said



"I work at Burger King and try to save my money. I put it into a savings account for a car and college. I think Obama's stimulus plan would be good if he goes through with it,"
Alexandria Schulte (11) said

efficient be *avaricious* be *frugal* be *practical* be *modest* be *thrifty*

be economical

"I've been trying to save all my life. I consider myself a thrifty person. I don't buy anything unless I need it, and I look for clearance and sales. I recycle at home and, I've been trying to use both scantron sides in school,"
Mr. Joshua Huwig, English said



Kayla Hughes (12)
Nicole Barozzi (12)



Brooke Burczyk (12)
Rebecca Trzupke (12)



Mali Wosley (12)

survival of the Euro

It's noon and there are 45 students sitting on a charter bus awaiting the 18 hour flight to Munich, Germany. Mr. Tom Clark, social studies, awaits his 18-day tour of Europe with students, friends and family, with the value of the U.S. dollar dwindling against the euro.

"Using the currency from other countries was difficult and interesting. I liked the euros the best. It was hard to calculate the differences," Jenny Gross (12) said.

When the group arrived to Munich the dollar to the euros was \$1.38 to 1E. When students arrived to different countries with their own currencies, they visited currency exchanges to convert their euros or dollars.

"The dollar being so weak was hard because it felt like I was just throwing money away. I wish our economy was better so I could have spent more," Amy Mitziga (12) said.

To help save and pay for the trip students held jobs and saved pay checks. Many students had the help from their parents to cover expenses.

"If the dollar was stronger, I would have bought more and felt free to spend all my money. I worked full time and babysat before we left," Gross said.

Once the students arrived they were faced with many decisions. Spend or save? Though the students from previous years didn't have to face the economic issues the Europe trip '08 students faced, many students said they would go back if they had the opportunity.

"I would love to go back. I loved the trip. It was a life time experience and it was amazing. I would live in Prague or Munich. Europe is just amazing. Go see it for yourself," Melissa Hussey (12) said.

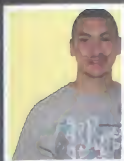
Stephanie Costa and Stephanie Tarrant



1. be comical: Students play the "HaHa Game" outside while waiting for the train. They were waiting for the overnight train to France.

2. be together: Students take a group shot while in Hungary. They stopped off for a quick visit to Fall of Communism Memorial.





"I work with my uncle in his roofing company, I try to save all of my money in a savings account, so I can get a car and other important things," *victor valadez (10) said*



"I work at the Pit Kabab. I try to save my money; I save it in a savings account. I save my money by holding on to it," *harrison rice (12) said*



"I don't have a job, but I do try to save my money. I try not to spend my money; I am saving it for college," *akira kashiwa (12) said*

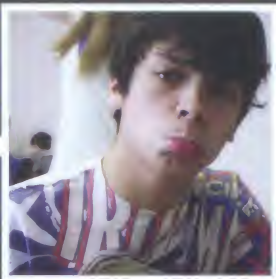
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"I carpool with Amber Zenzian (11). I've known her since fourth grade, and we are best friends. We drive with four or five other people because they all live in our neighborhood. I like carpooling because I get to sleep in later," Sarah Niedzwiecki (11) said.



"I carpool with my girlfriend Courtney Croft (11) because she had a parking pass and never used it. I think it's a good idea to carpool. I will probably car pool with a couple of other people next year too," Jacob Scarnavack (11) said.



"I take the bus to school in the morning. My friend Rachel Kucera (11) takes me home. She leaves really early to get to school so if I take the bus I can wake up later," Jack Whittle (11) said.



Amanda Gnerlich (12)



more dress. less money out of your pocket

While most girls are looking at Debbie's, Peaches, or Elegance, Amanda Gnerlich (12) is looking at Goodwill. Someone might ask what for? She goes to look for Formal or Prom dresses. "My mom bought my dresses from Goodwill. They have really pretty dresses there. Last year, one was seven dollars and another was twelve dollars," Gnerlich said. Not only are the prices awesome, but so are the dresses. They have many different styles of dresses there to choose from. "I have gotten a couple semi-pouffy and some slim dresses there. If I don't like them, I just have my mom take them back and get a couple others to look at," Gnerlich said. She found herself a steal so she can use the money she would have spent on her hair and other accessories she needs. As far as keeping the dresses she's not too sure what she is going to do with them yet. "I don't know about selling them, maybe I will next year. If not I will probably donate them back to Goodwill or try to get some money for them at Plato's Closet," Gnerlich said.

all about college

with eric gibbons (12)

Q: Where are you going to college?

A: I will be going to Purdue Calumet in the fall.

Q: Why did you decide to stay home?

A: So I will be able to work and stay home; to make it harder.

Q: Will you transfer away eventually?

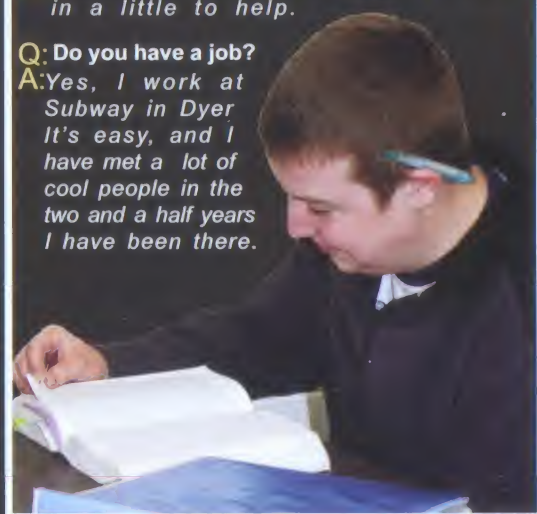
A: Noway, I wouldn't be able to focus on my school work.

Q: How are you going to pay for college?

A: Student Loans, and my dad is going to pitch in a little to help.

Q: Do you have a job?

A: Yes, I work at Subway in Dyer. It's easy, and I have met a lot of cool people in the two and a half years I have been there.



Future Predictions about the economy



"I think that the economy will plummet and then slowly get better over the next few years. Because of the way things are now, it seems that we're digging a hole and cannot get out of it,"

cody gillespie (11) said

"I think it [the economy] will slowly get better, but not drastically. I do not think we will have another depression. I think President Obama is going in the right direction with his stimulus plan,"

brian ochoa (10) said





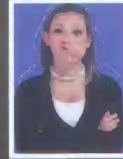
"Last year, I would get sick every six weeks, and it really put a strain on my grades. This year, I had surgery to get my tonsils out, and I haven't gotten sick since,"

Alaina Rodriguez (11) said



"My injury was on my neck, spine, and back. It was a condition I had my whole life, and it wouldn't allow me to play my senior season of football,"

Kevin Rodriguez (12) said



"My dog basically bit my mouth off. I looked like I had a caterpillar on my face. I had fifteen stitches and plastic surgery."

Christina Rodriguez (11) said

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Kyle Scheffel (12)



Kyle Laya (12)

helping the injured

Whether it's to prevent an injury from happening or to treat one that has already occurred, athletes get treated in the training room for multiple reasons. "I get taped up for precaution so I don't roll or sprain my ankle during practice, and it also gives my ankles support so I can plant, jump, and change directions better. When I get taped up, I feel like I am able to do everything at 100%," Kyle Scheffel (12) said. There are many athletes just like Scheffel that would rather help prevent an injury from occurring than suffering from what could happen. "I had a shoulder injury from football that flares up sometimes when I lift, so I get my shoulder treated for 20 minutes by the electrical muscle stimulator," Kyle Laya (12) said. There are also many athletes that go to the training room for treatments such as Laya's, as well as: icing, bandaging, wrapping, and taping.

with Dillon Jamroz (12)

what happened to your car?

I was coming back from one of my best football games. I heard there was a car on fire, and I was hoping it wasn't mine. When we got back, I got off the bus, and my dad came up to me. He told me not to freak; he would buy me a new car.



when you saw your car, what did you think?

"Why would someone do that?"



what did you get for your replacement car?

"I got a 1999 Eclipse GSX"

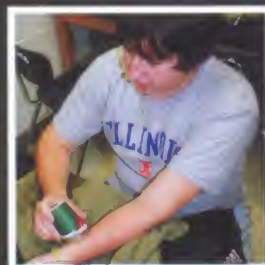


what was the worst part of it all?

"I lost my GPS, new rims, subs, T.V., new exhaust that I put on it, and some clothes."

Training may not seem like it would involve a lot, but it does. You have to be dedicated and willing. Dedication is the basis of being a trainer,

Alaina Rodriguez (11) said



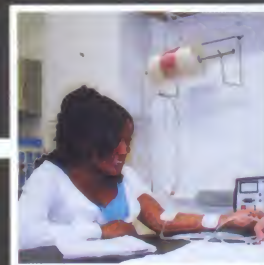
"I was in kinesiology and we had to do eight therapeutic modalities. I was doing the ice massage modality to finish the assignment,"

Robert Pinner (11) said



"For kinesiology, we had to do therapeutic modalities, and this one was the slush bucket. We had to keep our foot in freezing ice water for 20 minutes,"

Rayne Davis (12) said

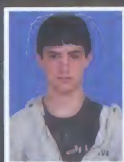


"In kinesiology, we did different therapeutic modalities. The one that I am using is the stimulus modality,"

Kiana Williams (11) said



"I dislocated my shoulder and tore my lebrum during wrestling. I had to eventually get surgery. I also had to take six months off sports," *Peter Cohen (12) said*



"Last August, I fell under my friends boat and the propeller sliced my left knee open. I went to the hospital and had surgery and 14 staples," *Christopher Rogers (9) said*



"I had a broken ankle during football season. I had to have surgery, and I now have eight screws and a plate in my ankle. I wasn't able to play all season," *Andrew Smith (10) said*

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be injured

"There is a difference between being hurt and being injured. Athletes need to know the difference. Athletes can compete when they are hurt. A true injury is something that would keep them from competing," *Mr. Brian Thomson social studies said*



Melanie Handion (12) and Kyle Laya (12)



Biljana Dosen (10) and Brittany Jones (10)



Mark Kallinich (12) and Dillon Jamroz (12)



1. **be tackled:** While playing in the first game of sectionals versus Hobart, Amanda Garton (12) got slide tackled by an opposing player. It was a tackle that ended her senior soccer season.
2. **be tough:** Kate Diehl (11) and Amanda Garton (12) scramble to fight for the ball. While fighting for the ball, Garton was taken down and hurt her knee in the process.
3. **be comforted:** Amanda Garton (12) lays on the ground after taking the hit. Sam Cook (12) came over to try her best at comforting her injured teammate, who was taken off the field shortly after.
4. **be helped:** Amanda Garton (12) gets checked out by Coach Richard Moore and Athletic Trainer Chris Hall. After the game, she was taken to Dr. Pitchford in St. John, IN who helped her to recover.

on the sidelines

When you're playing in the big game or competing in the big meet, the last thing you want to think about is getting injured. Just the thought of being on the sidelines for the remainder of the season or possibly ending your sports career is something no athlete wishes for.

"I was going into a dangerous play and got side tackled by an opposing player at the first game of Sectionals vs. Hobart," Amanda Garton (12) said.

Unfortunately, Garton's senior soccer season ended sooner than expected. Garton tore her lateral collateral ligament, biceps femoris, and posterior cruciate. She also fractured medial chondlye bone and had to attend therapy three times a week as well as go to the doctor every two weeks.

"I have been doing gymnastics since I was two, so I have really weak ankles to begin with and the continued pounding and training doesn't exactly help the situation," Erin Zlotkowski (11) said.

Zlotkowski has been a gymnast for so long that her body has tried retiring, but she keeps going for the love of the sport. Her injuries are usually the same: tear in a tendon, sprained or broken ankle bone, stretched ligament, bruised bone, and separated growth plate.

"I went from being able to play soccer every day to not being able to play at all," Garton said.

Garton hasn't had to give up the game yet. Although, not being able to do the thing you love most would have to put a damper on anybody's day.

"Being injured really isn't anything to enjoy. Especially when you have to sit there and watch your teammates compete, and you just can't," Zlotkowski said.

Being injured has to be one of the hardest opsticles to deal with as an athlete, but with patience and persistence it can sometimes be overcome.

stephanie slevnik and allie mender



"I always try to joke around and have fun. One motto I like to follow is, 'Make life a party because you only get one shot,'"

Michael Peddycord (12) said



"I'm kinda funny, I'm told. I'm not athletic or strong. I'm just some skinny, weak kid, and all I got is to make people laugh,"

Michael Peddycord (12) said



"I'm always running around and making a fool out of myself. I stand out because I am always playing gameboy,"

Michael Peddycord (12) said

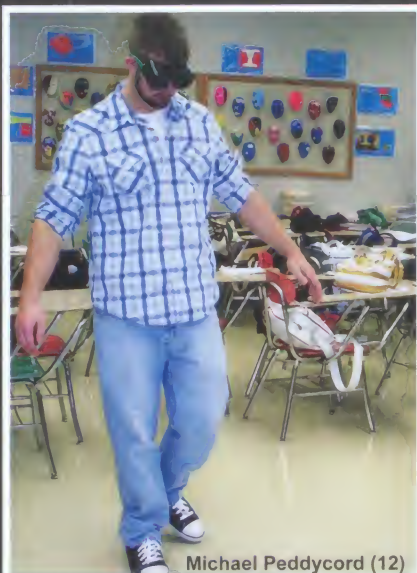
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Michael Peddycord (12), Natalie Valesano (12), GERALYN TEUMER (12), and ANDREA KRAS (11)



Mr. Ralph Holden and Tara McElmurry (12)



Michael Peddycord (12)

intensity of the mind

Once Mr. Ralph Holden slams the door shut and starts yelling crazy words or telling tardy kids to pant like a dog, the AP Psychology students settle down. When it comes to taking AP classes, many students are sometimes intimidated by the workload that comes along with the class. Mr. Holden said, "It's not the class that's hard. It's that the students take so many different AP classes at once." Like every AP class, students have to put in a lot of effort and time. "AP psychology is more in depth than regular Psychology, it's harder," Natalie Valesano (12) said. Since the class is a college level class, it is difficult to slow down. "We move at a faster pace. I have to give a lot of homework because there isn't enough class time," Mr. Holden said. However, he finds ways to make the class interesting and fun. "Mr. Holden is interesting. He yells a lot, but not in a bad way. He is an active teacher," Michael Peddycord (12) said.

It [the parking lot] gets crazy. I usually wait inside the school until it clears out. The only reason I didn't have trouble on the day of the snow is because my spot's on the end,

Lyle Cherven (12) said



Jillian Egipciano (11)

"It was extremely cold on [Jan. 19]. I was late to school and had trouble getting home. We should have had the day off, or at least a delay. That snow was insane,"

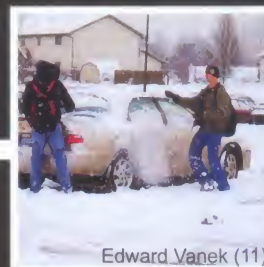
Jillian Egipciano (11) said



Michelle Dosen (11)

"That morning, I thought I was going to kill my best friends. I was sliding everywhere on ice getting to school. Mornings like those make me want to move to Kenya,"

Michelle Dosen (11) said



Edward Vanek (11)

"I am a good driver, and I have a Jeep so the snow wasn't really a problem for me. For others with less awesome vehicles, it was probably bad. It was actually fun to drive in,"

Edward Vanek (11) said

keeping up with *Mr. Chris Engel English*

"I drink about 10 measured cups of coffee a day."

"I add personality to things to keep my students attention. I'm down with the teenage lingo."

"A laughing student is a learning student, even though I have bad jokes."



what makes your day crazy?

rough days can seem never-ending, but with an insane schedule, like William Barry (10), it can seem unreal



William Barry (9)

"I thought it would be crazy walking around the school at first, but it got easy to know,"

William Barry (9) said

schedule

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| 2. Biology Honors | A116 | 6. SRT | 9213 |
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| 4. Business Foundations | M101 | 8. World History | C119 |



"My friends make my day crazy. They always have random funny things to tell me. I laugh a lot, over anything and everything,"

addie allen (12) said



"I'm loud, original, and outgoing. I have super long luscious locks and I head bang and mosh almost all the time,"

christina carmon (12) said



"My soccer jerseys that I wear every day are what makes me stand out. The love for something that no one else knows about is what's so crazy about me,"

marionne alexander (12) said

be *hilarious* be *silly* be *unbelievable* be *odd* be *uncommon* be

be *crazy*

"I've moved a lot in the last few years, so that's been stressful. I am really starting to settle down in this area. It was strange to move here from Michigan. You guys use different words and are an hour behind. Since I've been here, I've gotten engaged. It's rather surreal,"

marionne alexander (12) said



Aaron Terry (12)



Mrs. Denise Rush



Dominic Pascale (9)



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1. be pumped: Haralambos Manousopoulos (12) and other senior Superfans pump up the crowd and each other before the Homecoming game. They all attended the Homecoming fest before the game, where they participated in activities.

2. be loud: The Superfan girls cheer for the Homecoming game along with the boys. The girls also joined in the activities at the Homecoming fest and helped the boys get ready for the game by putting paint on them.

3. be friends: Jacquelyn Guillermo (12) and Abbey Kelley (12) are pounding fists before the Homecoming game. The girls spent the time before the game tailgating and hanging out with friends.

4. be hopeful: Superfans are captivated by the Homecoming game in high hopes that the Indians are victorious. Although the team did not win the game, the Superfans still supported the team and continued to cheer.

beyond all limits

the football team comes onto the field, parents cheer, teachers yell, but it's the Superfans who start the commotion. Standing on the bleachers, front and center, they show their dedication to their Indians.

Some dressed in blue and white, some with paint all over them, and then the one dressed in the Indian Costume. They all come to the games in crazy outfits. It is these students that give the word 'crazy' a whole new meaning.

"Before the game my friends and I painted our bodies in the parking lot. I had two of my friends' numbers on both of my arms," Vincent Rendina (12) said.

While some students, like Redina, paint their bodies, there is that one special student who goes all out and wears the traditional Indian outfit.

"The costume was passed onto me. I was really excited and honored. I get to pump up the crowd and get the team going," Haralambos Manousopoulos (12) said.

Every year the Superfans have a new Indian: a wild student who loves our school and will support our team through the whole season.

"I have a few candidates for who I'm going to pass the costume onto. I hope they do a great job cheering on the team," Manousopoulos said. The Indian is the motivator and crazier than any one of the students who goes to the games.

The Superfans stand out in a way that is special and cannot go unnoticed. This is their school, their team, and their high school life. They want to make it as fun and as outrageous as they possibly can.

lani castaneda and emily demario

be *unique*

“I am unique because I have older views now, but I can still relate to young students. I am also ridiculously good looking - only if you're interested in fat bald guys.”
mr. william melby, math said



Boys swim team



Angelica Curtis (10)



Michael Pedyford (12)

dancing mechanic

One may think of auto class to be full of teenage boys working on cars all day. However, Shaina Szymoniak (12) is one of the three girls in auto who enjoys going to class every day. Szymoniak feels completely comfortable working with the guys and does not feel shy or intimidated whatsoever.

“It is fun, I get along with all the guys. I am used to talking to all of them because we are all working together on the cars. It does not get awkward, but their stories are amusing,” Szymoniak said.

Szymoniak's first year at auto was an unfair game. She did not feel respected but quickly gained that respect she rightfully deserved. Szymoniak does her best when she works on cars. She feels her work is just as good as the rest of the group working on cars.

“I try to do my best. I think I am good at what I do, I have learned a lot, and I still have a lot to learn. I am always excited to learn more and more,” Szymoniak said.

She plans on attending college at Universal Technical Institute in Phoenix, Arizona next year.

“I am moving down to Phoenix with a friend who is also going to UTI for motorcycles,” Szymoniak said.

Szymoniak not only has a passion for fixing cars, but also for ballet and jazz dancing.

“I was two years old when I first started dancing ballet and jazz. I still want pursue it when I go down to Arizona for college,” Szymoniak said.

Szymoniak feels taking auto in high school was one of the best decisions she made.

“It gave me a good experience, and it is like a family because you see the same people everyday. It made me grow up more as a person. Auto made me learn how to be responsible and to live up to my mistakes.”

kristi bowen and tiffany pavlovic



Shaina Szymoniak (12)



Shaina Szymoniak (12), Keenan Wick (12)



Jessica Gasior



be shocked: “I’m going to college for auto in Ohio. I like auto because it’s a very hands-on experience,” Jessica Gasior (12) said.

be affected: Shaina Szymoniak (12) works on a car while her fellow classmates joke around. She planned on studying automechanics in college.



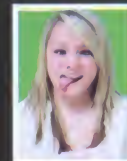
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“I am unique because I’m me. I don’t try to be something that I’m not,”
mayra sanchez (12) said



“I’m in the internship program at Lake Central, and I intern as a nurse, and I’ve seen babies being born,”
kaysee sieslak (12) said



“I don’t know how to ski, so I just ski on my back,”
ashley kahn (10) said



Comron Fouladi (10)



Comron Fouladi (10),
Eric Minor, Justin King.

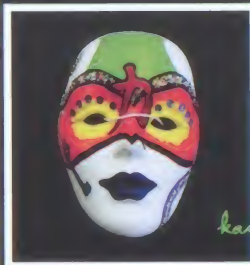
becoming famous

Comron Fouladi (10), just a normal 17 year old, who happens to be in a band called, The Breed. The Breed was the first band to play a show at Southlake's Hot Topic. "It was cool playing at Hot Topic because we were the first band to play at that location. We also got our merchandise and our CDs being sold at Hot Topic," Fouladi said. The band consists of two other members, Justin King (12), Hebron High School, and Eric Minor, Detroit, Michigan. "I messaged the band over Myspace, and I auditioned twice - once at a band member's house and the second time at a show," Fouladi said. The band has been going serious for about a year and an half. They have been on two tours, going all the way to Pennsylvania. The Breed placed first at Hammond, IN's Battle of the Band's, winning \$1,000. "I feel really energetic [when I play]. I want more and more people at the show and a bigger audience," Fouladi said. The Breed is not just one other band wanting to make it big. They strive for loyal fans who appreciate the music they make, and want to have a good time.

"I think being
unique
is part of what
makes people
who they are,"
allison penilla (12) said

multiple personalities

students share their psychology masks



"The red symbolizes that I am a strong person. The nose ring means that I can be rebellious and have fun,"

hannah alcott (12) said



"My mask is unique because it represents me. I am one-of-a-kind because I still love watching Disney movies,"

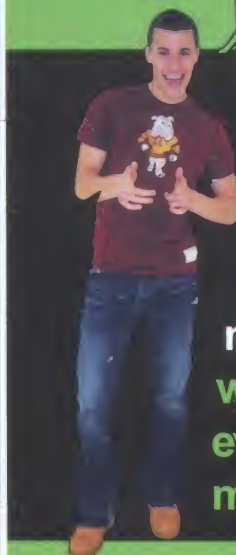
alyssa ippolito (10) said



"The mountains are peaceful, and I like those rural areas because they're calming. The left eye design shows that I am energetic,"

benjamin weber (12) said

standing out from the rest Introducing



Frank Ruvoli (12): Mr. Friendly

"When everybody tries to fit in, I try to stand out. Those are the words I live by because I feel I do not need to impress people. I do what I like. I am friendly towards everyone and that is what makes me unique," *frank ruvoli (12) said*



"I've eaten alligator tail in Florida. It was really chewy,"
alex carnahan (9) said



"I go to Northwoods and Drena's every week with my brother, Samuel Evans (10, left). I play the guitar and sing; Sam plays the bass,"
charles evans (11) said



"I am fun sized. I am only four foot eight inches, and people treat me special because of my height,"
yezmin gonzalez (11) said



"I had a lucky 2008. I got a job and I got an internship for next year. This year has been great, and I hope the luck lasts through 2009,"

Michael Selig (12) said



"I'm lucky because I've made new friends, made Trebleaires and made the musical both this year and last,"

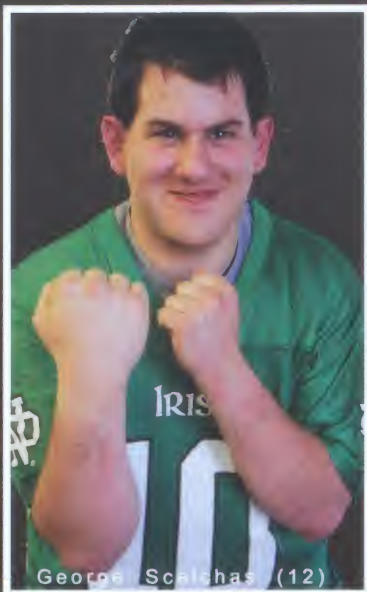
Joseph Miller (12) said



"I don't believe in luck because everything happens for a reason. I've had experiences where luck has nothing to do with it,"

Kevin Anderson (12) said

be *fortunate* be *blessed* be *charmed* be *favor*ed be *fortuitous* be *pro*



George Scalchas (12)

luck of the irish

Getting off at Exit 77, it's only moments before the golden dome peeks over the tall trees. If it's game day, a ticket is required to drive down the street to attempt to find an elusive parking spot. The parking lot is packed with tailgaters awaiting the moment to squeeze into those stadium stands to cheer on their boys. One student knows this feeling very well. George Scalchas (12) goes to every home Notre Dame game. He went to his first Notre Dame football game when he was 10 years old. His favorite Notre Dame sports are football, basketball, and hockey. Every day, Scalchas wears a Notre Dame shirt. Sports are not the only Irish immensity that Scalchas enjoys, though. He happens to love the Notre Dame Marching Band. He likes the music they play, and he listens to the band on his iPod constantly. Whether it's the team or the band, if it's a home game, Scalchas is there to support the Fighting Irish.

"I feel lucky for all the friends and the really close family I have,"

Stephanie Mulholland (11) said



"Someone broke into my house when I got home from work, and I was alone. My best friend had to come get me and take me to my dad's house,"

Adrian Quintero (11) said



"The number eleven is really unlucky for me because it follows me everywhere, and it always brings something bad. I graduate in 2011, and that's kinda scary,"

Alicia Moricz (11) said



"Number two is a lucky number because it's my brother's football number, and it's kept me lucky ever since,"

Ernest Smith (10) said

Lucky to be alive

"I was with my friends one night by the Subway by Certified Driving. I crossed the street to get there. After we ate, my friends and I had to cross the street. After looking both ways, I continued to run across."



My friend called my name, and I looked back and at that moment I was *struck* by a Honda Civic going 35 mph. I hit the car on my left side and flipped *ten feet in the air*. I came back down and hit the car again and basically totalled the car. I ended up having *no broken bones* - just a severely bruised elbow, knee, and tailbone. It only took about a month to recover, but I think

it's changed me. I *still* have bad dreams about it, even though it happened two years ago, and I am still very cautious about me and other people crossing the street,"

Alicia Moricz (11) said



"I do not think that luck exists. I think people confuse luck with fate,"

emily hogg and arielle morris



"I don't think luck exists. I believe that there is just good and bad karma,"

margaret logan (10) and kara polus (9)



"I am so incredibly lucky to have such a good AP Chemistry teacher who lets me wear his awesome lab coat,"

britney tuskan (11)

prosperous be joyful be happy be serendipitous be golden be thankful

be lucky

Instead of luck, I believe that all things happen for a specific reason. Life never throws anything at us that we can't handle, and it's our job to deal with these obstacles as best we can. This is how we prove the strength of our character to others as well as to ourselves,

miss leslie lwema english and

my lucky charm

aside from Friday the 13th, it's not often that the average student really thinks about superstitions. For an athlete, superstitions are a part of daily life. Some athletes stick to a straight routine.

"[The varsity girls' basketball team] would always stand in the same order for the national anthem because it just had to be that way," Britney Tuskan (11), a varsity girls basketball player, said. "Our handshakes when our names would get announced also had to be the same to give us luck."

Others get inspired by music before they start. "I always listen to music," Margaret Logan (10), a swimmer, said. "It gets me pumped and ready to swim."

Music plays a large part in superstitions for athletes of every sport.

"I always listen to Emery before every game," Seth Frey (11), a football player, said.

But superstitions and lucky charms aren't limited to the players themselves - superstitions can be a team sport.

"Our soccer coach would get us pumped up with our 'who what? who ha!' chant right before every game," Kara Polus (9), a freshman soccer player, said.

"We always do a team cheer and have a team meeting," Logan said. "The captains give us speeches to pump us up."

"Our team would get pumped up in the locker room, and occasionally, [Mrs. Leslie] lwema would give us little inspiring notes," Tuskan said.

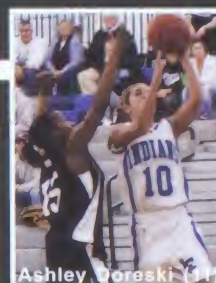
Superstitions might feel silly out of the game, but they keep our athletes feeling lucky, but sometimes it's not even the crazy tradition that keeps student athletes lucky.

"For the most part, our teammates were our good luck charms," Tuskan said.

emily hogg and arielle morris



Katie Gindl (12)



Ashley Voreski (11)



Boys Varsity Soccer Team



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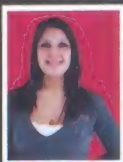
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1. be watchful: Seth Frey (11) watches a play during the October 16 game against Valparaiso. His routine of listening to music before each game kept him feeling lucky throughout his football season.

2. be prepared: Kaley Marcinak (11) and Kara Polus (9) get ready before sectionals. Polus got ready by doing a chant with her team and chewing gum to keep lucky.

3. be pumped up: Margaret Logan (10) swims the butterfly during a meet against Merrillville. Logan listened to music and her team captains to make sure that she was ready and prepared for the upcoming meet.

4. be on top: Britney Tuskan (11) shoots for a basket during a varsity girls basketball game against Michigan City. Tuskan considered her teammates the best good luck charms the team had.



"I'm loud because I like to express myself. I like to be excited and being excited gets other people excited. Sometimes it gets me in trouble during class," *adison schuch (3) said*



"I'm loud because I like attention, and quiet people scare me. I like to talk during school and in class because school is boring and talking keeps me awake," *timothy chunks (12) said*



"I'm loud when I'm with my friends because we like to have fun and joke around. I'm also loud when I play volleyball because we have to communicate," *raleigh woot (10) said*

be *noisy* be *outgoing* be *expressive* be *interesting* be *booming* be *energetic*

be *loud*

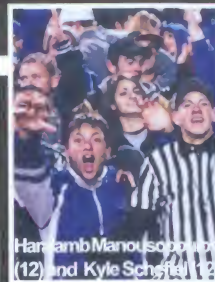
"Loud to me is a bunch of screaming cheerleaders and fans at a sporting event cheering their team on to victory," *miss joan loaden-mathematics said*



Lake Central cheerleaders



Derrick Sanders (10)



Hart Amb Manoussopoulos (12) and Kyle Schafel (12)

battle for a cause

back in mid-September a flood devastated Munster and the surrounding towns. Many families were without homes and had lost everything. National Honor Society was there to help. NHS planned a battle of the bands where students' bands could compete, an idea from which was in their suggestion box. Battle of the Bands was a chance for students to sign up with their band members and prove to be the best band. The Fundraiser raised approximately \$2,600 for the cause. Not only did this event help the victims of the flood, but it also gave the students a chance to show their talents to their peers.

"I did enjoy being in Battle of the Bands because I think the audience really liked what we played, and we enjoyed playing for them. There is no better feeling than being up on stage, playing for people and enjoying what you do," Matthew Crytzer (11) said.

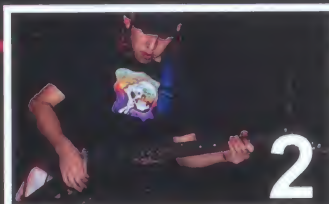
For some of the bands it was their first time playing in front of a large crowd.

"I've beatboxed many times in front of crowds, but the closest thing that came to a formal setup as the Battle of the Bands was speech class," John Sweis (11) said.

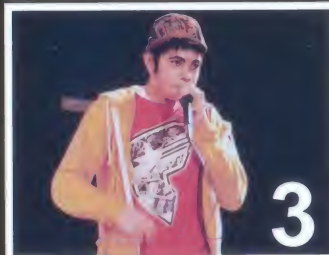
Students in NHS had to sell tickets to the event. The bands performed on Friday January 23.

"It was really cool getting such a great reaction from the audience. That was our first show, and before that, we were pretty much unknown," Charles Evans (11) said.

The Breed took the first place title. Finishing in second place was Solace, and last but not least, That's Right came in third. *jessica moore and michelle sweeney*



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1. be in sync: Matthew Crytzer (11) plays the bass guitar in his band entitled That's Right. They had been playing together for about a year. "We played in the battle of the bands so we could get recognized by Lake Central students," Crytzer said.

2. be playing: Zachery Marcum (12) plays the guitar with his band at Battle of the Bands. He performed in the band One Eyed Crunch. They didn't earn a winning place, but they still showed the crowd what their band could do.

3. be a beat-boxer: John Sweis (11) beatboxes with his band The Vega Experience, which is made up of him and his friend Mario Vega (11). Sweis said, "[I did enjoy Battle of the Bands], it gave us the opportunity, the first time for the both of us, to do what we like.

4. be a bassist: Richard Reasons (11) plays the bass in his band, Some Goslings, along with Steven Stepnoski (11) and Matthew Sharp (12). Reasons said, "We were all pretty happy to play our music for our peers, and I wouldn't think twice about doing it again."



"I'm loud because being the catcher for baseball you have to communicate to the other players to tell them where to go and where to be before every play happens,"

Adam Winkler (11) said



"Being loud is a great way to express yourself. You don't have to be literally loud. I'm loud through my artwork, clothing, and what I do,"

Katie Greenwell (11) said



"I am the loudest when I'm with my friend Jessica Moore (11) because we like to have a lot of fun together, and we always know how to have a good time,"

Taylor Chapman (11) said

energetic be boisterous be crazy be comical be wild be ear-piercing



Brian Inglese (9)



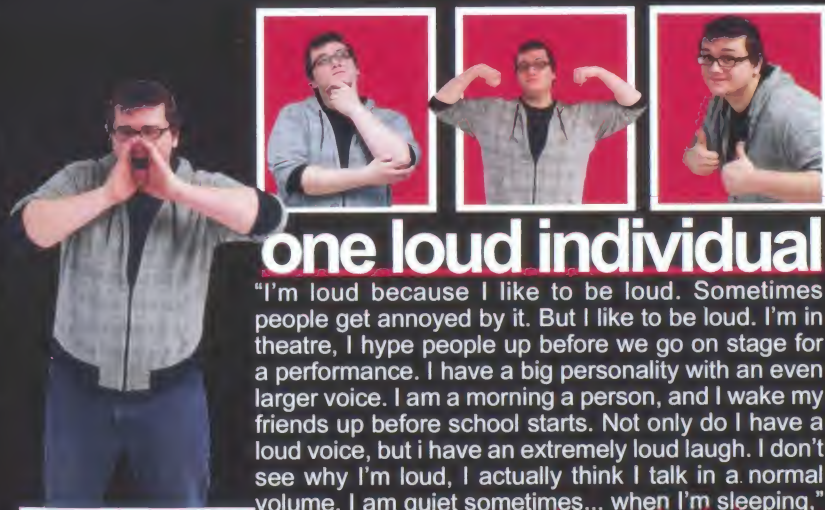
Tiffany Kobak (12), Alice Wasylyowsky (9), and Madison Carroll (11)



Lake Central Pep Band

the pep rally

Pep Band isn't only about playing in a band, it's about adding the adrenaline and excitement to the basketball games. They play fun, upbeat, energetic music to pep up the crowd. Many students, playing different instruments all come together for one purpose: to spread school spirit. Just like any other performance, they practice for their performance at the games. "I like to play my instrument for at least an hour a day. Some days, depending on rehearsals, I can have up to five hours of practice," Madison Carroll (11) said. For many of the students, Pep Band is just one of the several bands that they are involved in. Their instructor, Mr. Chris Harmon, pushes them to play at their best.



one loud individual

"I'm loud because I like to be loud. Sometimes people get annoyed by it. But I like to be loud. I'm in theatre, I hype people up before we go on stage for a performance. I have a big personality with an even larger voice. I am a morning person, and I wake my friends up before school starts. Not only do I have a loud voice, but I have an extremely loud laugh. I don't see why I'm loud, I actually think I talk in a normal volume. I am quiet sometimes... when I'm sleeping,"

Jonathan Kowalski (12) said

How do they express their loud style?



"I like to wear loud and bright shoes because it sets me off from everyone else. Sometimes I'll catch people in the hallways staring at [my shoes]."

Ashley Adams (9) said

"I like looking the way I do because it sets me apart from everyone else, and it's kind of hard to forget me because of my look. I look the way I do because I like it, and I won't let anyone's opinion stop me,"

Madison Carroll (10) said



"I like wearing colored jeans because they are bright and stand out. It is more fun to stand out than to blend in. I also like wearing skirts with thigh high socks or tutus over jeans,"

Wade Hanna (11) said

Band is loud because we can be heard from all the way down the hall, and, sometimes, we play louder than we are supposed to play,

Sarah Stielhans (9) said

studying: an athletic strategy

"Every year, at the end of each season, the runners are given results books for that season. These books have official finish times and splits for each mile. I usually use these books and memory of each course to prepare for each meet. I have always like charts and records so, I would map out distances of the runs we do at practice and time each run to get my average mile time. I usually just look at maps of races so that I have an idea of what the second and third miles start. I always tell my team whatever they want to know, but personally I feel more comfortable running on a course that I know and am familiar with," Jeffery Trembacki (11) said.

practice makes perfect

"I normally listen to what my coaches suggest and then I practice what they say until I improve. I think if you use what your coaches tell you, you will improve your talents. As long as you listen and learn, this puts you ahead of your teammates who don't listen. I think about what I need to improve and what my goals are for each game. If I reach the goals I set for myself then it makes me feel like I am a better athlete," Rachel Giese (9) said.

Several collective minds that are all studying for one thing can be an immense help; you can learn from on another or help someone else,

hannah nava (10) said

name Keertan Kini

grade Freshman

schedule A rigorous course list including English Merit, Biology Honors, Geometry Honors and Algebra II Honors.

special ways of studying:

He connects information to make it easier to remember. For instance, one fact helps him remember the next one and studying depends on how well the material is known beforehand.

how it's handled

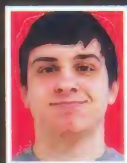
He finishes homework the day it's received, so that longer assignments can be spread out instead of having a time crunch.



studying for the big game

Games like Halo, World of Warcraft, and Call of Duty are not just video games; they are complex worlds that require teens to prepare themselves. "Before actually playing the game, I talked to friends about what is going to be done. We sit there and try to strategize how we are going to play together," Cory Copp (11) said. Cory and his friend Nicholas Hartog (11), both play video games, and use special strategies to keep up with their opponents. Copp's favorite is Left 4 Dead, and Hartog's favorite is Madden. Both play their favorite games on X-Box 360. "I play with a group of people and try to create a strategy with my friends online," Hartog (11) said. They use the X-box headsets to communicate with their teammates and come up with a plan to win. "I just dominate," Hartog (11) said.

be well informed be academic be intellectual be hard-working be



"Math is my hardest to study for because there are so many things to remember. I study by going over the notes the wonderful, Miss [Mallory] Meyers, [mathematics] gives us. The studying has paid off," Nikolai Nicosvich (11) said.



"The class I find hardest to study for is Geometry. It's hard to memorize all the formulas and theorems. What I do to study is, I find a quiet place to sit in, like my room. I usually have music on. It helps me concentrate," Aaron Wapton (9) said.



"My hardest class to study for is English. I review all the chapters of a book the night before and make flashcards about the book too. My studying must be working because I'm still passing the class," Courtney Markow (10) said.

be *studious*

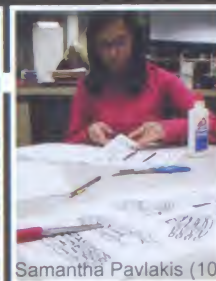
A studious student maybe doesn't study all the time, but they pay attention during class. They take the material home and study it. A good student puts forth effort. That person may not have an A, but they care about what their grade is in the class," *miss rebecca darby, world languages said*



Faith Donovan (10) and Zach Adams (12)



Mrs. Donna Martin



Samantha Pavlakis (10)



1. be smart: Dana Dangerfield (11) studies during her AP U.S. History class. She studied for about an hour, and used that time to read over notes and redo previous homework assignments.

2. be focused: Timothy O'Connor (9) works on an enzyme lab during his Biology Honors class. This was the first year freshmen were allowed to take the course.

3. be dedicated: Many students daily take time out of their day to make a trip to the library for study sessions. The school library is always open for students during the day for use of computers, or just to get away from the noise of Lake Central.

4. be a honors student: Lauren Ashenbrener (10) watches a PowerPoint while in Mr. Wayne Svetanoff's 7th hour English 10 Honors class. This was one of the many honors classes she had along with Algebra II Honors and Biology Honors.

don't stop studyin'

Whether it's note cards, study guides, study groups, or mnemonic devices, each student has their own way of studying. The study methods vary with each hard classes.

"I listen to motivational music and think of dumb little clues to help me remember stuff," said Carolyn Sandrick (10).

Sandrick is not alone; it is proven that connecting new information to information you already know is a great way to study.

"Biology is by far my hardest class; I barely passed first semester, but I study with friends to help me out," said Sandrick (10).

Studying with friends can be a lot of fun, but being with friends who know the information better than you can be beneficial. SRT, or student resource time, is used to get plenty of homework done.

"I do all of my white-day homework, and the homework I do at home is cut down by half," said Ellen Geisen (10).

Hannah Nava (10) finds studying is much easier with note cards. She says just making out the flash cards helps her because she writes out the information.

"I love flashcards. I know it sounds dorky to say, but flashcards are a huge help when studying," Nava (10) said.

Some find it hard to study for just that one killer class. The one that is unpredictably hard, and you have to try your very best just to pull out that A.

"Physics is my hardest class to study for because it's not memorizing words, but understanding concepts," Dana Dangerfield (11) said.

Whether is concepts or words, or SRT or flashcards, students mold their study routines around the rigors of their classes.

megan trincot and meghan wojcik

thoughtful be *deligent* be *scholarly* be *busy* be *contemplative* be *kind*



"My hardest class to study for is Biology because, we get so many notes and study guides for the tests. For that class, I just reread the chapter and study the study guides we get. I'm doing well in that class," *dylan peterson (10) said*



"The hardest class for me to study for is Geometry. To study for this class, I look over our notes and example problems we've done. I think my studying has paid off because, I get good grades on the test," *sarah anderson (9) said*



"The hardest class for me to study for is Pre-Calc. My friends and I go to Starbucks to help each other right before the test. These study sessions have really helped me to get good grades on the test," *evan kramer (12) said*



"I'm in bells because it is a lot of fun to play music with a bunch of friends. It is tons of work, but a really fun experience," *danielle grosora (10) said*



"I'm in band because I enjoy playing music and plan to become a band director after college," *jessica verrill (12) said*



"I'm in choir because I'm passionate about singing, and it's something that truly makes me happy. I feel that music brings out my personality," *cassandra sutton (12) said*

be *melodic* be *in choir* be *tuneful* be *harmonious* be *mellow* be



Andrew Siple (12)



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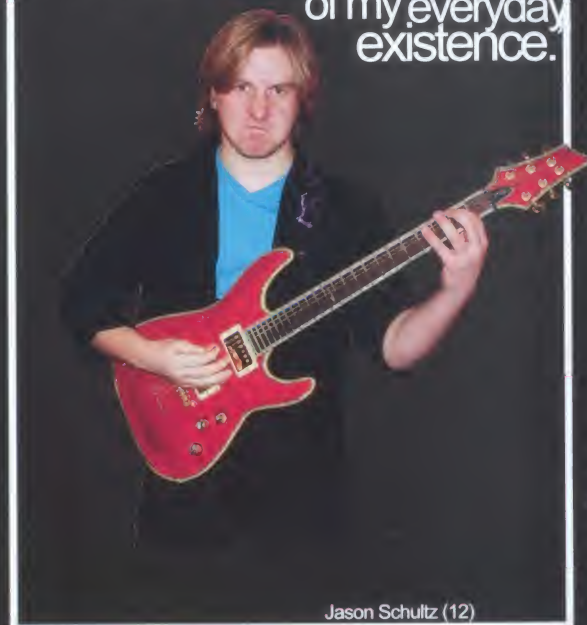


night shift dj service

"Music is the driving force behind anything and everything," Andrew Siple (12) said. Music has played several roles in Siple's life. He has been playing the drums for recreation for the last three and a half years. Siple has also been playing drums for his church's youth band for the past two years. In addition to playing his drums for his church, he is a disk jockey too. "My father kind of pulled me into the DJ business, and I have always been fond of drums." With those two things being a big part of his life, most of his life revolves around music, and he wouldn't have it any other way. "My list of important things in life ranges in order from: breathing, music, eating, and music." Without music, he wouldn't be the person that he is today. There is no specific music to describe Siple either; his iPod consists of Acid Rock, to Disco, to Country. His father played drums for the majority of his life. Siple's dad is also the one who brought drums into Siple's life. "He now says that I am better than him," Siple said. "I hope to continue pursuing my DJ career for as long as people still need entertainment."

for the love of... *music*

"I like that music gives me a feeling of accomplishment. I feel like it lets me express the emotions and feelings that I hear in my head. Music really is integral and completely necessary part of my everyday existence."



Jason Schultz (12)

I love the feeling I get when I'm on stage, and tons of eyes are watching me, and people are listening to me sing,
anthony perez (9) said



Britney Tuskan (11) sings the National Anthem at a home volleyball game against Merrville. After a malfunction with the anthem, Tuskan sang every other game for the rest of the season.



Jonathan McFarland (12) auditions for the Battle of the Bands competition. "I guess I was too gangster and that's why I didn't make the Battle of the Bands competition," McFarland said.



Kristen Flens (10) plays the piccolo in Pep Band during a Friday night basketball game against Portage. The Pep Band plays during most varsity basketball games.



"I'm in band because more than anything, it is a social place where all my friends are, and we all work together to be the best," *maxwell mills (9) said*



"I'm in band because I enjoy performing for people. I like working for perfection with friends that share the same passion for music that I have," *heather bolan (12) said*



"I am in bells because I like playing. I've been in bells since seventh grade, and I love learning new songs to play at concerts," *Michelle Roberts (12) said*

be humming be vocal be symphonic be choral be pleasant-sounding be

be musical

"Hmm...where would I be without music? I would honestly be absolutely nowhere without music. From the moment I was born, I knew music was going to be my life. There was never any doubt about it," *Mr. Chris Harmon music said*



Mr. Chris Harmon



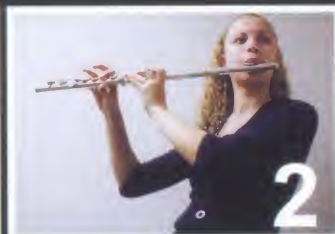
Wayley Schwartzman (12)



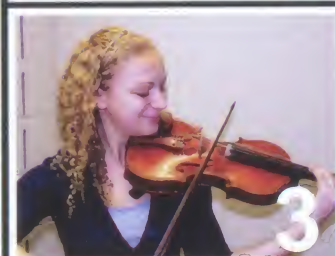
Joseph Tuman (10)



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Jessica Bouma's (10) interest in music started when she was just three years old. Her mom used to play piano, while Bouma would sing along with her. Bouma has been playing all four of her instruments for at least the past two years, but she's played the violin for over ten years.

"I'm in the school's band; I play oboe in wind ensemble and flute in marching band. I also play violin with three other people from Munster and Chesterton. I started violin lessons when I was four and a half," said Bouma.

She still continues to play the violin and tries to practice at least an hour each day.

"I'm not just a musician. I love to swim, read, write, and hang out with friends and family. I also write my own songs whenever I feel inspired. I was raised in a family that valued music very much," Bouma explained. "There was always music playing in my house. I somehow was drawn to the tone of the violin, and I begged my mom to let me play," Bouma said.

"I play violin on my own time, and I'm also the Concertmistress [the 1st Violinist] of the Northwest Indiana Youth Orchestra," Bouma said.

"Music is the driving force behind all aspects of life. Without music, many emotions that inspired people to do great things would not be felt," said Bouma.

Although music does influence many aspects of Bouma's life, it is not her life itself.

"I definitely hope music will be a part of me my whole life," Bouma explained, "I hope to study music performance in college and possibly pursue a career in music."

After studying music in college, Bouma hopes to someday join a renowned orchestra.

Christy Conrad and Hermann Weatherly

1. be musical: Jessica Bouma (10) plays the piano in the band practice room during SRT. She did not play the piano for the school's band, but Bouma spent time playing piano for weddings and dinners as a side job.

2. be practicing: Jessica Bouma (10) practices flute in the band room. She played the flute in the marching band and sometimes chose to play it in pep band at basketball games too.

3. be a symphonist: Jessica Bouma (10) plays the violin, which she plays in the Northwest Indiana Youth Symphony outside of school. She did, however, also play the violin on her own time for her personal enjoyment.

4. be a musician: Jessica Bouma (10) plays the oboe, which she plays in the school's Wind Ensemble. Unlike just signing up for band class, she had to try out for the Wind Ensemble to be included.

be proud

Being proud is taking self-satisfaction in a job either perceived to have been done well or actually done well. It can also be defined as taking pride in something difficult you have accomplished.

mr. kendal smith science said

idea-to-reality

After lunch their sophomore year, Jeffery Tharp (11) and Frank Pluskota (11) started to wonder if they could make a raft made completely of Gatorade bottles and duct tape. They started the raft by collecting about 500 bottles over eight months in multiple people's lockers. Tharp, Nicholas McMenamy (12), Jonathan Sommer (11), Jacob Ponton (11), and Thomas Bandura (11) brought them home and started to build it in sections of 20 bottles. It took over almost two months time to complete the boat. The raft was then moved to Matt Gerbick's (11), Andrean, pool for its "maiden voyage."

"The raft worked, and it was sweet to be able to tell everyone who had doubted us," Tharp said.

They managed to put five people on the raft which totaled to about 800 pounds with success. They were then so proud that they decided to set higher goals for the raft like sailing from Mount Baldy to Chicago.

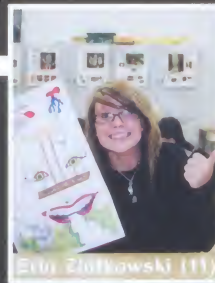
"I think it's a completely ridiculous idea, but we have done some before that worked so were still going to try because that's what we do," Bandura said.

After realizing that the voyage would be difficult to complete, they decided to take the raft out for one final sailing of the season. They took the raft to a river behind Gerbick's house. The trip consisted of many miles of carrying the boat through the woods and swimming in cold water. They launched the boat and traveled almost half a mile down the river.

"It was much more realistic when we went down the river. It felt like I was George Washington crossing the Delaware," Ponton said.

With all the success that has come from the boat they plan to make their voyage from Mount Baldy to Chicago at the beginning of summer.

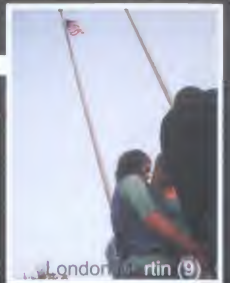
lanie reynolds & katie skura



Elin Zoltowski (11)



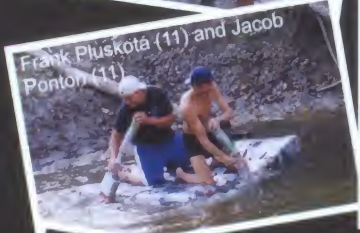
Kalle Jensen (12)
Rachel Zajac (12)



London Martin (9)



Matthew Gerbick (Andrean 11) and Jeffery Tharp (11)



Frank Pluskota (11) and Jacob Ponton (11)



Gerbick (Andrean 11) and Tharp (11)

Jacob Ponton (11), Matthew Gerbick (Andrean 11), Jeffery Tharp (11), Frank Pluskota (11)



Matthew Gerbick (Andrean 11), Jeffery Tharp (11)

be succesful : Jacob Ponton (11), Matthew Gerbick (Andrean High School, 11), Jeffery Tharp (11), and Frank Pluskota (11) cast off down the river in their raft. They were able to push off shore without difficulties.

be original: Matthew Gerbick (Andrean High School, 11) and Jeffery Tharp (11) carry the handmade Gatorade boat over their heads. The boys were anxious to test out their creation.

be innovative be original be accomplished be confident be satisfied



"I'm proud of myself because I got great grades this year, and I tried really hard. I had to push myself and go to tutoring, but in the end it was worth it."

daniella comparelli (11) said



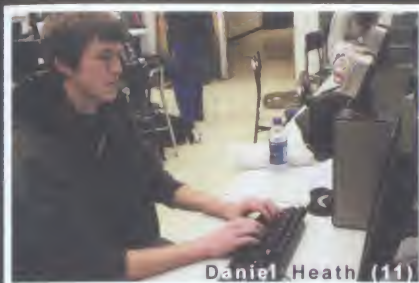
"I am proud of my confidence because it helps me with everything. I try to look at the bright side of things in situations and always be positive."

nicolette mehas (10) said



"I am most proud of my 300 bowling achievement because it's a great thing to do, and it takes a lot of practice. I've been bowling since I was three."

kyle thorne (9) said



Daniel Heath (11)



Eric Perego (11)



Samantha Stewart (11)

students for the military

■ Samantha Stewart (11) plans to go into the Navy when she graduates from high school. "Because I am part of the Navy Sea Cadets, I will advance faster in the ranks [of the Navy]. I want to be an airplane aeronautical engineer while I'm in the military and after. They have a higher rate for my job because more people fly in the Navy than any other branch," Stewart said.

■ "I plan on going through the Reserve Officer's Training Corps program in college and after college, I will serve. I've narrowed [my choices] down to something in military intelligence or counter intelligence, Special Forces, Recon, or Snipers," Daniel Heath (11) said.

■ "I also joined [The National Guard] because I wanted to give something back to this which has already given me so much," Eric Perego.



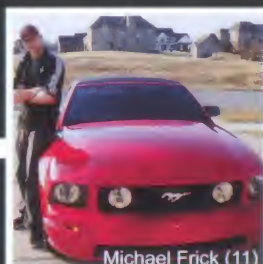
Nicholas West (12)

"I bought [my car] a year ago, and I knew I was going to have to pay for it for a while so I knew I wanted something that I would be happy with for a couple years," Nicholas West (12) said.



Samantha Howes (11)

"It's a 1962 Buick Electra that has been in my family since my dad was a little kid. I like to ride in it at night when the top's down and watch the stars go by like I did when I was a little kid," Samantha Howes (11) said.



Michael Frick (11)

"My car is a 2006 convertible Mustang GT. I've had my car for almost a year. It suits me well, and I love the classic look of a red convertible," Michael Frick (11) said.

proud of your *sibling*



Nicholas Miljevic (12)

Michael Miljevic (age 3)

"Before some of my games, my brother would often get as excited as I would. He loved getting in his own personal LC soccer fan jersey. During the games, I would sometimes be in a position on the field where I would be able to hear him, which would really encourage me to keep going,"

Nicholas Miljevic (12) said

"I am proud of my sister because she works hard at softball, and has gotten a scholarship to Wright State University from all the hard work that she dedicates when she gives up so much of her time for it. I hope to get a scholarship like she did,"

Ashley Dobson (9) said



Jessica Dobson (12) and Ashley Dobson (9)

Being proud is having confidence in what you accomplish; having pride in your academics and your athletics keeps you motivated to do well.

Kailey Jensen (12) said

be pleased be delighted be gratified be rewarded be significant be



"I am proud of my good grades, especially science, because it was the most difficult. I get good grades because they will get me far in life,"

Parker Long (9) said



"I am proud of being my own individual. I believe that I have stayed true to myself and not changed myself for someone else,"

Lauren Resendiz (11) said



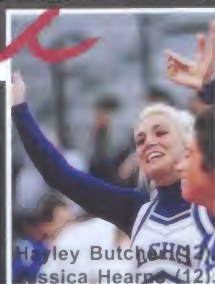
"I am proud of my older sister because she inspires me, and she helps a lot of people. She is a nurse, and she always listens to me,"

Victoria New (9) said

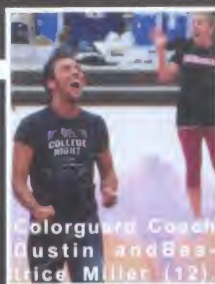
be energetic

"I am most energetic at the beginning of lunch and then the next four lunches seeing students. There's the comedians cracking jokes. I'm not a coffee drinker, but I am most energetic at home when I am playing jazz because it is easy listening."

me gabe median security



Hayley Butcher and Jessica Hearne (12)



Colorguard Coach Justin and Basatrice Miller (12)



Marching Band

being a part of the game

being an involved student often creates the most memories. So by being a part of the fan section at the sectional basketball game many felt they were doing their part in supporting the team. Every year the Sectional basketball games seem to have such an intensity of energy when a fan or parent walks in the gymnasium.

"I remember when I was a freshman walking all the way to the top of the stands seeing all the seniors in the front row all dressed up, going crazy. This year was awesome because I was in the front row; my friends, and I were pumping up the crowd, and it was so much better than being at the top," Samuel Urban (12) said.

The sectional basketball game is especially important to the seniors, since it is their last big game. So there is always and extra bit of excitement when it comes to being a senior in the stands.

"I think [sectional basketball games] are the most energetic of games because it is the last game before we all leave to go to college; so pumping up the crowd and cheering for our favorite players is awesome. Everyone goes crazy," Urban said.

While the fans do a their part in supporting their team, the cheerleaders help a lot too. They are at every game, pumping up the crowds, and showing their spirit.

"I feel we [the cheerleaders] are there for the basketball team more than the crowd. We try to get the crowd pumped, but when it doesn't work we just cheer on our boys," Ashley Carstensen (11) said.

They ended the game with a score of 52-62; East Chicago won. Although the team did not win the game, the fans seemed to with them until the end.

"The moment that stands out the most to me was when we tied up the game in the fourth quarter. The game became very intense; the fans and players were so into the game," Justin Nesbitt (11) said.

stephanie costa and stephanie tarrant



1. be quick: Varsity basketball players Kyle Scheffel (12), Kyle Kaluza (12), and Eric Summers (12) pause during a time out to get a quick word in. The boys played East Chicago for their sectional game.

2. be spirited: Cheerleaders Lisa Warta (12) and Alyssa Kowaleski (12) cheer on the boys varsity basketball team at sectionals. Every game the girls tried their best to pump up the crowd and the team.

3. be supportive: George Scalchas (12) and Ashley Dowling (12) show their spirit for the team at the sectional basketball game. Dowling and Scalchas tried to come to every game to show their support for the team.

be outgoing be alive be vigorous be active be zippy be kinetic be



"I'm most energetic during the night hours of the weekend. I drink energy drinks in the morning sometimes,"
anthony marinetti (12) said



"I am most energetic in the morning and, sometimes, I drink coffee. It all depends, I'm not really that energetic; more laid back,"
mason sewell (10) said



"When I get home from school, finish my homework, and I can do what I want [that's when] I am most energetic,"
ashley dowling (12) said



Lauren Ross (12) stands in C-Hall after school with Mr. Tom Clark, Social Studies, and his Interact Club. Members helped decorate the hallway for Homecoming.



On senior night, the varsity soccer team runs back to their coaches, clapping and yelling to get pumped up. The team won against Crown Point that night.



JV Centralettes practice their hip-hop routine at M2 Dance studio in St. John, IN. They later were crowned Hip-Hop national champions in Orlando Florida.

caffeine addictions

"I have an addiction to caffeine. When I was little and couldn't drive I would sit at home and play video games and drink an entire 24 case of Pepsi. My mom wanted to kill me,"

Frank Morris (12) said



"I drink coffee every morning. I like it made with lots of cream and sugar. My favorite drink is Mountain Dew, which I drink everyday. Joe Mayer's subs get me the most pumped up,"

Joshua Sparks (12) said



"I'm addicted to Amp energy drinks. I've been drinking coffee since college. I drink Amp every morning. I'm the most energetic an hour to four hours after I wake up,"

Al Angel, owner said



getting to know energetic individuals

name: Rachel Jordana Harris

birthday: August 15, 1999

favorite food: Stuffed Crust Pizza Hut

favorite drink: Pepsi

favorite color: Pink

when are you most tired: I'm exhausted. I never sleep. That's the only time. Just kidding. I am most tired on weekday nights. But on the weekends I am never tired.

what makes you so energetic: Being with my friends being my happy self and the four energy drinks.



name: Brandi Lynn Kozak

birthday: December 21

favorite season: Summer

favorite vacation spot: Disney World and Puerto Rico

favorite food: Chicken and turkey

hidden talent: Karaoke

what keeps you energetic: My daughter, my students and my to-go coffee every morning



Being energetic is being aware of your surroundings, and being able to respond to situations quickly,"

George Papankolaou (?) said

be peppy be bouncy be high-spirited be vivacious be amped



"Around lunch time, I have the most energy because I'm with my friends. I drink Coke a lot. I need caffeine every morning,"

Leah Shames (10) said



"I'm most energetic when I am with my friends. I drink coffee black in the morning,"

Stephanie Pacheco (11) said



"In second hour on blue-days I am most energetic because I have Mr. [Tom] Clark, [Social Studies], and he makes class fun,"

Stephanie Pacheco (11) said

be *hardworking*

Hardworking, to me, is defined by someone who is completely dedicated and puts forth all their effort to complete their task. The best example of hardworking is with my parents. They are immigrants who had nothing and work so hard to achieve everything in life.

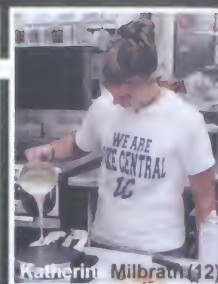
mrs. koula amonichis social studies said



Matthew Sharp (12)



Emily Keith (12)



Katherine Milbrath (12)

the lap to success

Two freshmen are striving to achieve varsity swimming after only one year on the team. Devin Rohrbacher (9) and Brian Capua (9) both never swam before this season.

"We have had practices at 5:15am every day since September. Devin and I go and never goof off," Capua said.

They have gone above and beyond the requirements for the junior varsity team, even taking it as far as going to girls practices to put in the extra pool time.

"I have gone to some girl's practices because they are harder. They all have more experience and their coach pushes them harder," Rohrbacher said.

The freshmen have also taken up routines outside of scheduled practice to prepare for next season.

"Devin and I go to the weight room every day to condition. We try our best and push to the limits," Capua said.

Beyond making Varsity, these boys have serious goals within the swimming team.

"My main motivation is to become an All-American swimmer and get on the record board before I graduate," Rohrbacher said.

They are working with their futures in mind, too.

"I would like to be at Chris Johnson's (12) level in the future. A scholarship to Notre Dame would be nice," Capua said.

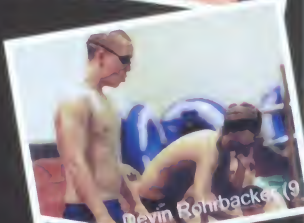
Though Rohrbacher and Capua are trying to outswim them, the teams have been more than accepting.

"They don't treat us like underclassmen and the coaches are great," Capua said.

Both of these boys are the definition of hardworking.

"Brian and I are the only people on junior varsity who have a true commitment to the team," Rohrbacher said.

anemarie rompra & katie tozek



be friendly: Brian Capua (9) and Devin Rohrbacher (9) show friendly competition in and out of the pool. They were determined to make varsity.

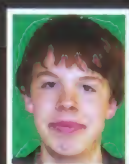
be fast: Devin Rohrbacher (9) swims freestyle during the meet against Highland. The boys were invited to join the team and watch the varsity team compete at sectionals.



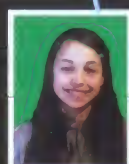
be prepared be motivated be studious be ahead of the game be a go



"I wasn't hardworking at the beginning of the year because I had a job, but now it's second semester, I'm trying. Hardworking is when you work at your best. You can pursue whatever you want to do," *Britiana Quintana (11) said*



"I work hard at the beginning of the year because I play the bass clarinet in the band. I had three hour practices every day after school. Hardworking means trying your best. You don't have to do well, you just have to try," *Thomas Finnegeen (10) said*



"I would say I'm hardworking because I swim and I run. I do it all year long while balancing with on my schoolwork. Hardworking means trying your best at whatever you do," *Shelby Carroll (9) said*

workin' hard for a livin' *dedicated to the job*

Texas Roadhouse
hostess

"We learn three different line dances, and we dance every forty-five minutes. I love working. We just started, so I only work about three days a week right now to get used to everything. All my classes this year aren't as difficult as previous years so I don't have that much homework. I aide and have SRT, so I get all my homework done at school anyway," *jeanine dekker (12) said*

Applebee's
hostess

"I hate my job because I make below minimum wage. I only get one percent of sales in tips. The hardest part about my job is avoiding the creepy men that try to ask me out on dates. The second hardest part is dealing with the ignorant people. I continue to work there because of the friendships I have built and my loyalty to the company," *Michelle Doser (11) said*

VS

Hardworking means that you should not do it for yourself, but for other people. If you put in the effort, you will be repaid later,
brandon hanchar (11) said



Mr. Tom Clark, Social Studies



Alyssa Gallegos (10)
Samantha Tarrant (11)



Bryan Tomich (12)

interactive students

Interact is the community outreach club. They find many ways to lend a hand in the community. It has been sponsored by Mr. Tom Clark, Social Studies, for over twenty years. For the past two years, Andrew Srisuwananukorn (12), Lucas Panfil (12), David O'Donnell (10), and John Bojczuk (12) have worked together and went through Briar Ridge to collect food drive donations for the annual food drive. They leave paper bags on almost every doorstep, and come back to collect them at a later date, even in the snow. Just the smallest donations helped. "Some days were hell. We would work so hard, and get so little cans. But then some days we would get boxes and boxes of food. It really showed me the sincerity of the people in the community," Srisuwananukorn said.

working hard or hardly working?

"I've never really thought about taking harder classes compared to easier classes; it was just a given. As for the extra work harder classes



bring, I've always been involved in a lot of activities and prefer staying busy to doing nothing. Sure sometimes things piled up, and it got a little stressful, but I just kind of roll with the punches. For college I'm planning on going to Purdue for engineering," *lauren rigg (12) said*

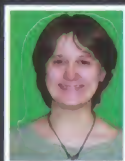
"I sit there and people ask me questions, and I give them the right answers. I want to go to Purdue because it's the best choice economically for me, and people don't realize how prestigious the school is in its sciences. I want to study physics because I didn't want to tie myself down to a subject that doesn't offer freedom. It's ridiculous that people are expected to know what they want to do for the rest of their lives at 18. I don't have any career plans right now. I've never had a job and if I had my choice I'd keep it that way. So to call me hardworking is an insult to anyone who has ever done anything useful. I've had everything handed to me and I still managed to screw it up. But hey, I'm on this page; you're not," *adam szejewski (12) said*



don't be *industrialious* be *over-achieving* be *conscientious* be *a leader*



"I work hard for football. I'm trying to get on a starting position for next year as a linebacker. I work hard in the weight room. Hardworking means dedication and discipline," *michael pupello (11) said*



"I would have to say I work hard towards my schoolwork. I want to excel in school and get into the career I want. Hardworking is when you try really hard to reach yours goals," *elizabeth gellert (9) said*



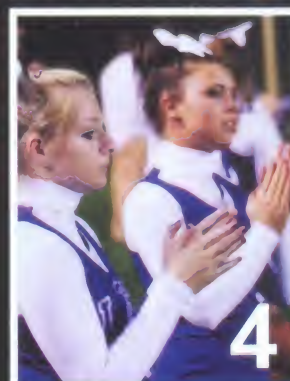
"A hardworker is someone that gives the most effort in whatever they need to achieve. I had to work really hard this past basketball season because there are so many good players," *katie kozy (10) said*

be *together* be a *group* be *family* be a *clique* be *combined*

Zackary Piro (11)

Aimee Noros (10)

“So, get in line! Follow
the crowd;
It's not always a
bad thing.”



1. be marching: The Tribe of Pride marches off of the football field after performing during half-time. The band's theme was Absense, and they performed at every home game.

2. be in costume: Kaitlyn Boecker (11) and Rebeka Kasper (11) show off their acting skills in the Halloween improv show. The actors dressed up in Halloween costumes for the performance.

3. be hip hop: Kaitlyn Toczek (12), Courtney Severin (11), Kellie Butler (11) and Tiffany Marquiss (10) perform their hip hop routine. The Centralettes traveled to Kings Island in Ohio to compete.

4. be cheering: Ashley Kahn (10) and Ashlee Russell (10) cheer on the football team at the game against LaPorte. Kahn and Russell were both Varsity cheerleaders.

100 *be you*



be us

So get in the line. Follow the crowd. It's not always a bad thing.

■ Win or lose, it doesn't matter. Crowd in next your peers and support our football team.

■ Lace up your running shoes. Follow the girls cross country team as they go all the way to the Nike Midwest Regional.

■ Make more than just a splash. The boys and girls swimming teams recognized in the top three.

■ Be someone else. Whether we're a member of the Spice Girls or George W. Bush, we all lose our identities on the night of Senior Banquet.

■ Seize the spotlight. Grab the mic or pair of dancing shoes as the Talent Show offers an outlet for any pent up skills that we're just waiting to show the world.

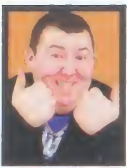
■ Get active. Mr. Clark can't count all those food drive cans even with Interact Man on his side.

■ "Be our guest." Watch as the Lake Central Theater Company dazzles us with a spring performance of Beauty and the Beast.

■ Be seen. We look like movie stars, walking through the Grand March so why not act like one? It's our night. So look fierce, have fun, and make memories you'll never forget.

■ Breakaway. Step off the Star Plaza stage and take on the world as we, the seniors, can finally say our goodbyes. This is the one time it's okay to give into peer pressure and follow the crowd. So join us.

Haralambos
Manousopolus (12)



"I enjoy being in Interact because I think it's a great way to help others in need and spend time with friends,"
christopher wickman (12) said



"I think Student Council is a fun way to get involved, and we do a lot of fundraisers for good causes,"
abby deque (10) said



"N-teen's purpose is to volunteer and help the community as much as possible,"
kasey gindl (12) said

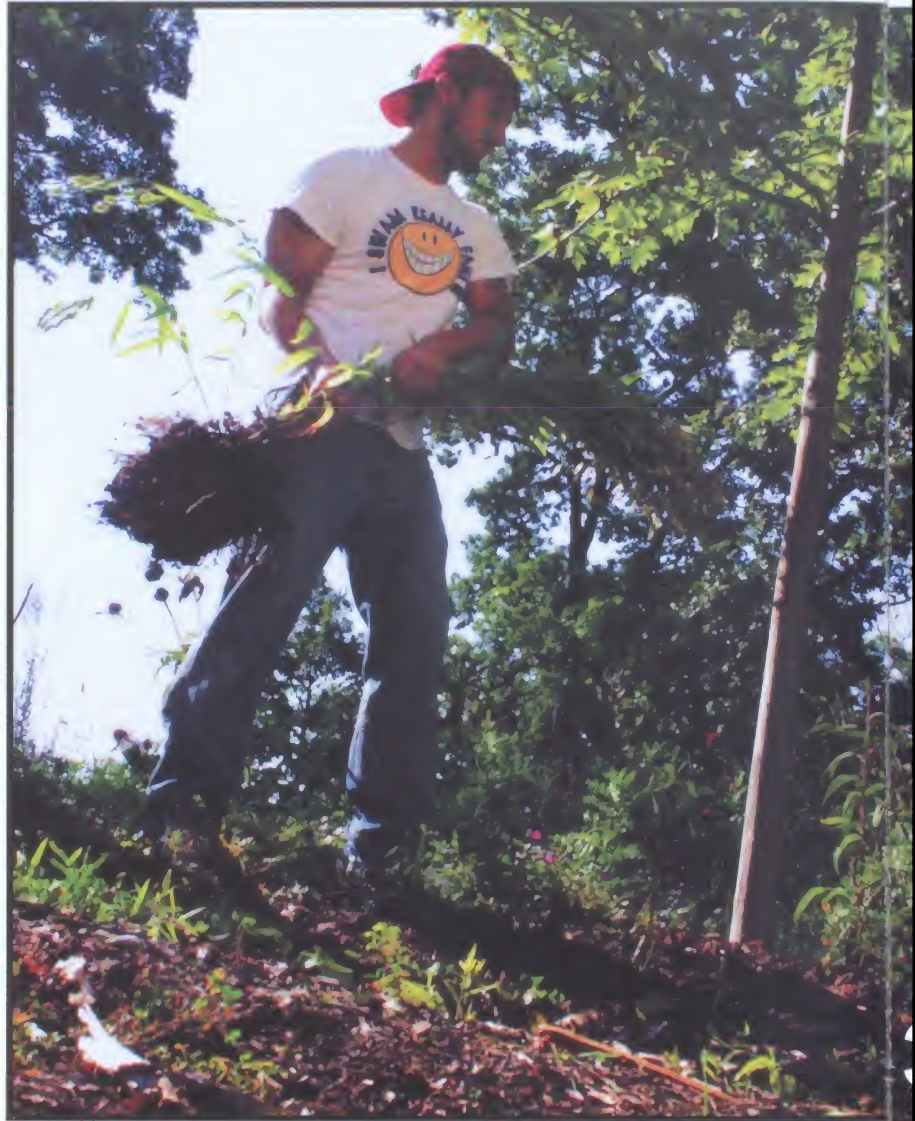
be caring be involved be kind be loving be positive be nice be know



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1. be festive: N-teens have a get-together after designing t-shirts and deciding on the Winter Formal songs. They weren't able to have a hay ride, so members had a food day instead.

2. be organized: Christy Paulauski (12) writes information on the board. Student council members helped organize the LC fest before the homecoming game.

3. be helpful: David Scasny (12) weeds by the Lake Hills park for NHS hours. Scasny worked on this project for about two hours with friends.

4. be attentive: Interact members listen to Mr. Clark as he discusses the food drive. 5,700 cans were gathered to feed the homeless.

5. be informed: Interact meets in Mr. Clark's classroom to discuss ways for raising money. \$550 was collected by selling pumpkins for March of Dimes.

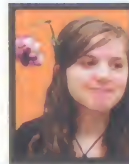
6. be creative: Leah Cerwinske (12) makes ticket posters for Battle of the Bands. NHS raised about \$2,800 by hosting the event at school.



"I like being a part of Interact because it helps other people in need, and Mr. [Tom] Clark, [Social Studies], is really fun to be around," *racquel maser (11) said*



"Our purpose in NHS is to serve the community and help those who need to be helped," *mark kalinick (12) said*



"I'm in YAO because I'm young, and I'm an American," *penagiosa doukas (12) said*

unledgeable be willing be creative be compassionate be helping

Interact, National Honor Society, N-Teens, Student Council, Young Americans Organization

Among the various clubs and activities at school, there's a few that contribute back to society. If it's for charity or simply benefiting other people, Interact, National Honor Society, Student Council, N-Teens, and the Young Americans Organization does as much as possible to better the community.

Between the flooding and the large amounts of snow Northwest Indiana has experienced, Interact has always been there to lend a hand.

"I think Interact is one of the best clubs in the school and the members are very active with helping the community," Mr. Tom Clark, Social Studies, said.

Not only did Interact members help those in need during the natural disasters, they also helped others by raising money and volunteering to help when other's homes were destroyed.

The NHS members show how caring and generous teenagers can be, and how a little help can go a long way.

"NHS has really opened my eyes and changed my mindset from a cynic to an optimist. It definitely shows the sincerity of our school's students," Andrew Srisuwananukorn (12) said.

Being a volunteer is a dominant characteristic that is required to be a member of NHS. From making waffles to battling bands, NHS is constantly trying to help the community.

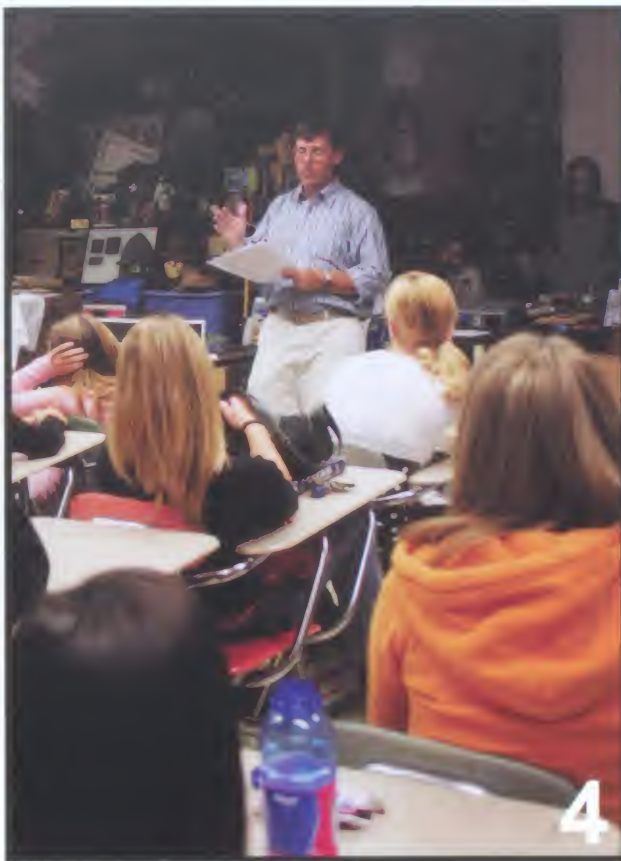
Winter Formal would not be possible without N-teens planning, decorating, and fundraising for students to have a memorable night.

"We were able to do a lot more with Formal this year, but it was harder with the breathalyzers," Alaina Reynolds (11) said. Along with volunteering and helping the community, members of N-teens give an annual dance that everyone can attend.

Whether it's for community service, volunteering, or raising money, all five clubs share their passion for giving back to society. Not only do these five clubs show their generosity towards those in need, they also help set examples for their fellow classmates.

bree flores and emily garza

community



how do you help?

these girls share how they help out others outside of school clubs



"I work with my church teaching lessons to the younger kids, and I work the Lake Hills haunted house in October," *haley shuman (9) said*



"I go to New Orleans for mission work where we help rebuild the community,"



"I've gone on mission trips, inside and outside the country to help people less fortunate than us," *andrea olson (12) said*

laurie rutkowski (12) said



1. **be spirited:** Kyle Scheffel (12) and Matthew Schmidt (12) await the start of the football game. The two always helped with leading the chants in the student section.
2. **be loud:** A few of the Superfans cheer at the Homecoming football game. The annual Homecoming Dance followed after the game.
3. **be wild:** The "Wartman" sign is held up by a Superfan amongst the students. The sign was made to support varsity offensive lineman Christopher Wartman (12).
4. **be crazy:** Vincent Rendina (12) dances in the crowd with his radio. The radio was brought to every home game.
5. **be hyped:** Superfans cheer at the football game against Valparaiso. The temperature continued to drop throughout the duration of the game.
6. **be dedicated:** Melissa Magdos (12) paints Haralambus Manousopoulos (12) before the football game. Manousopoulos was the school mascot.



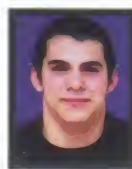
in the game **be spirited** **be loud** **be excited** **be focused** **be intense**



"Playing with the older guys was a lot of fun. It was a really good experience. My favorite part of the season was the sectional game, and the bus ride home."
manuel nos (9) said



"Being quarterback has been by far my favorite part of high school. Getting to lead the whole team is tough but fun at the same time. When you win, you're on top of the world."
ryan kemmersey (11) said



"Playing with the older guys was fun because I enjoyed going against guys that were tougher, stronger, and faster than anyone I had faced before."
anthony albomonte (10) said

Academic Letterwinners Superfans. Athletic Letterwinners.

Being a fan of the game is good. Being a Superfan is even better. But a certain group of guys bring the term 'Superfan' to a whole new level. They can be referred to as the ultimate Superfans.

Kyle Hon (11), Samuel Urban (12), Matthew Michalak (12), Ian Segovia (12), Anthony Olund (12), Corey Davis (12), Steven Traficante (12), and Frank Ruvoli (12) are the ultimate Superfans. The guys attend every home varsity basketball game. They've created fan groups known as Sheff's Chefs and Summer's Soldiers in order to support Kyle Scheffel (12) and Eric Summers (12). Hon, Urban, and Michalak are members of Sheff's Chefs. Segovia, Olund, Davis, Traficante, and Ruvoli are members of Summer's Soldiers. "[I chose to participate because] Scheffel is my bestfriend/roommate, and we wanted to support him to have a big season," Urban said.

Supporting the players was the biggest reason for the formation of these elite fan groups.

"[I chose to participate] to support our friend Eric [Summers] and to help the team keep motivated," Traficante said.

Although the main goal of the groups is to support and encourage the basketball team, there is still a little bit of a friendly rivalry that goes on between them.

"The Chefs are better because we go all out wearing our Chef Hats and aprons to the games," Hon said.

Both groups insist that their group is the superior, and the rivalry is continuously fueled.

"[Summer's Soldiers is better because] we are at every game, in uniform, starting all chants, unlike the Chefs," Olund said.

Showing sportsmanship and supporting the team are the two biggest elements to a Superfan. These guys are the archetype Superfans.

chris einterz

School Spirit

Earning letters in the classroom



"Being an Academic Letterwinner means that I am a hard working student. It means that I am persistent in school, and that all my hard work is being recognized. [Being an Academic Letter winner is] important because it looks good on my transcript, and it's good for scholarships."

pukhrajeeet chhokar (11) said



"Being an Academic Letterwinner means that I have been a persistent student throughout the year, and that I have been working hard to keep up my GPA. I think it's important to be an Academic Letterwinner because it shows that you work hard towards your grades."

barbara rauch (11) said

be supportive be unified be hardworking be crazy be a superfan



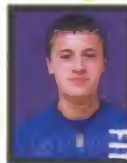
"As an athletic letterwinner for the first time, it feels like one of the greatest accomplishments of your high school career, especially knowing you have your older buddies to help you."

brian crider (11) said



"Playing with the top guys for two years was an honor. Playing this year alongside Geoffrey Bowman (12) was a dream come true. I want to thank all the seniors for having a great season."

cody barnes (10) said



"It feels good to be playing with the older guys for the past two years. I looked up to someone like Shane Cloutier ('08) and Geoffrey Bowman (12)."

robert riggs (10) said

Photography, Rune, Freshmen Art Club High School Art Club, International Thespian Society

Clubs are about extending your interests outside of the classroom and sharing those interest with others who enjoy similar things. With such a variety of different people, there is an equal array of clubs to match. From photography and Rune to theater, fine arts clubs abound.

Rune works to put together and publish the creative arts magazine, which showcases students' creative works after being submitted and reviewed.

"We hope that this year it'll be in color. The past years it's been in black and white, so we need to really worked to get it done eaerly for color printing," Erin Zlotkowski (11) said.

The high school art club paints, does community service art projects and has fun making art.

"[My favorite thing in art club] is painting," Christie Callahan (11) said.

Similar to high school, freshmen art club does various art projects.

"[My favorite thing in art club] so far was making an ornament," Madeleine Hiemstra (9) said.

The International Thespian Society coordinates the theater productions each year. The lineup of shows includes the fall show, spring musical and freshman shows.

"The spring musical my junior year was when I really started likeing acting a lot," Brett Guiden (12) said.

Members of Photo Club take photographs of what they like, to express themselves in different ways.

"I am really interested in photography and wanted to get more experience in it, and my friends were doing it, and it seemed like a good club to be a part of," Emma Harowski (10) said.

lauren rigg & brittany gzesick

fine arts



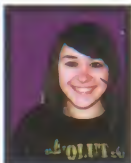
an adventure in the corn a fall trip for photo club to county line orchard

"When we first started in the maze, we thought about actually using the map that they provided on the tiniest piece of paper possible. But then we decided we had good navigational skills. And boy, were we wrong. Every time my group made a wrong turn, there we would find Wad and Nug,"

danielle giorosa (10) said



be creative be unique be inspired be noticed be artistic be optimistic



"I like that [photography] gives you a lot of freedom, you can basically take pictures of whatever you want and make it look cool,"

kathleen dienes (10) said



"I like photography because you can look back on moments and remember stuff that happened,"

sarah wahlen (10) said



"[I like photography] because you can express yourself by your photos, and it kind of tells the person you are by the photos you take,"

araceli barrientes (10) said



- 1.** be rehearsed: Daina Dangerfield (11), Grant McCormack (11), and Evan Stahr (11) perform in *It's a Wonderful Life*. The cast was unique because the leads were filled by underclassmen.
- 2.** be philanthropic: Christie Callahan (11) and Ms. Jennifer Elliot, art, paint wood panels. The high school art club painted the panels as windows for the church of The Safety Village.
- 3.** be creative: Stephanie St. Amour (10), Kathleen Dienes (10), Danielle Gioiosa (10), and Taylor Martinez (10) work on a homecoming banner. Each class made their own banner.
- 4.** be spirited: William Jarvis (12) improvises his character on stage. Jarvis had been involved in theatre all four years of high school.
- 5.** be spontaneous: Kayla Greenwell (11), Brittany Massie (11), and Anastasia Buchnat (12) act in an improv show. The actors dressed in their Halloween costumes.
- 6.** be proud: Evan Stahr (11) and Matthew Shute (9) act in the fall play, *It's a Wonderful Life*. "The show was my first lead role, so I was proud," Stahr said.

stic **be**involved **be**loud **be**hopeful **be**helpful **be**an individual



"I think Rune is a good opportunity for Lake Central students to express themselves," *samantha surouei (12) said*



"Photography gives you your own individual way to take a picture. There's no right or wrong way to take a picture," *danielle gioiosa (10) said*



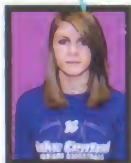
"I think [Rune] is pretty nice because you get to see a lot of talent that you don't usually see," *leah baskins (12) said*



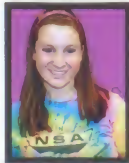
- 1. be active:** Junior Class Cabinet members participate in a meeting in February. They were discussing details about Prom.
- 2. be attentive:** Mrs. Robin May, Counselor, talks at a Freshmen Class Cabinet meeting during SRT. They discussed selling 2012 t-shirts.
- 3. be inquisitive:** Alaina Ciarrocchi (12) raises her hand during a Senior Class Cabinet meeting to give a suggestion for the Senior Banquet theme. Senior Banquet was held at the Halls of St. George.
- 4. be social:** Stephanie Collins (12), Britni Weiner (12), Jenny Kranc (12), and Kristen Calhoun (12), talk during a Senior Class Cabinet meeting. Senior Class Cabinet planned Senior Banquet.
- 5. be decisive:** Samantha Tarrant (11) and Kristin McDermott (11) peruse through a book of possible backdrops for the 2009 Prom photos. This was only one of the parts that go into Prom.
- 6. be creative:** Senior Class Cabinet members are shown an example of a centerpiece for the Senior Banquet, Senior Banquet was planned to have a 90's theme.



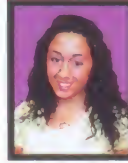
be unified **be helpful** **be opinionated** **be responsible** **be organized**



"I joined class cabinet to be able to help design and raise money for our future dances. I enjoy making the posters for class cabinet,"
wina carnes (9) said



"[I decided to join cabinet] to represent and assist our 2012 class. I enjoy raising money to make our junior and senior prom amazing,"
april van mulligan (9) said



"I enjoy how [Sophomore Class Cabinet] never even meets. Wad and VP are in charge of it. We do nothing at all actually,"
sophie charandreau (10) said

Freshman Class Cabinet, Sophomore Class Cabinet, Junior Class Cabinet, Senior Class Cabinet

class cabinet

Students may not know much about them, but the class cabinets do a lot for Lake Central High School.

"Right now we are working on getting the current 8th graders ready for high school. We are helping them learn about the school and prepare for their next four years at Lake Central," Jacquelyn Brazzale (9), the president of Freshman Class Cabinet, said.

"I think the officers help out a lot and give a lot of ideas," she said.

Sophomore Class Cabinet may not have any dances to plan or students to prepare for high school, but they still find ways to benefit the school.

"Making signs [for Homecoming] helped people know what was going on, and I think it helped with school spirit too," Grace Calderone (10) said.

The Junior Class Cabinet members have a big job planning prom and making sure that everything goes smoothly.

"We are working on the 2009 prom, 'Garden of Dreams.' This year we're trying to benefit the school by making a great memory of 'a night you'll always remember,'" Lessie Reeves (11) said.

The students don't do it all on their own, though. They have help from their club sponsors.

"Mrs. [Joan] Loden, [mathematics], gives us incredible ideas, and she listens to all of ours. Also, she takes time out of her day to meet with us," Reeves said.

The Senior Class Cabinet members have a lot of responsibility with planning Senior Banquet, but they still have fun too. "Ilovethepeople[in Senior Class Cabinet]. Everyone is so friendly, we have so much fun planning our events," Stephanie Collins (12) said.

Class cabinet members seem to see class cabinet as something to stick with.

"I do plan on staying in class cabinet. I've had a lot of fun so far, so why quit now?" Brooke Carnahan (11) said.

rebecca kimberly and colleen muelmurry



be in charge



"One of our big goals is to do fundraising and to give back to our community to profit and help people that are in need,"
mrs robin may guidance said



"I've been a class sponsor for 25 years. I enjoy helping with prom, senior banquet, and homecoming banners,"
mrs joan loden math said

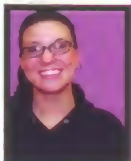
class cabinet sponsors

"It's fun to watch the kids grow up, and how they move through the grades. Sophomore class cabinet is very laid back,"
mrs carrie wadyski english said

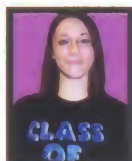
"I wanted to do [class cabinet] to get involved and plan events that students will enjoy. Our class is really eager. It's wonderful,"
mrs kristina ochman guidance said




be creative be involved be hardworking be resourceful be a leader



"I joined because most of my friends were doing it, and I thought it would be a good way to get involved and plan banquet,"
kristen calhoun (12) said



"[Class cabinet] seemed like a good opportunity to do something positive for our class. We raise money for our Senior Prom,"
alice wasplawsky (9) said



"[I most enjoy] planning prom for class cabinet. I joined because I wanted to be active in helping out with the junior class,"
nicole kuehner (11) said

BPA, JETS, Science Olympiad Debate, Academic Super Bowl, Astronomy

academic clubs

Researching, studying, solving problems, building odd contraptions, and blowing stuff up sound like your kind of extra curricular activity? Well, an academic club like Science Olympiad just may be your calling.

"This is my seventh competition since the 6th grade. It's my hobby; a way to get involved in school. [It's the] only event where you get to launch and blow stuff up. It involves a lot of math, angles, and calculations," Ryan McCabe (12) said.

If being involved with science and math isn't your calling, maybe you might consider Debate.

"People should join it because it's a lot more fun than you think because you get to argue with people," Jessica Lyza (10) said.

Debate is a relatively new club, but the students involved seem to have jumped right into the somewhat intense atmosphere.

"Debate is my favorite because being one of the founders of the club, I feel that I get to watch the club grow, and starting so late in the debate, my partner and I still manage to become two of the top debaters in the state," Stevan Tomich (12) said.

If you're not involved in a Debate tournament, maybe you will find yourself participating in Business Professionals of America where computers become your best friend.

"Almost all of our members that went to our district competition are going to State in Indianapolis. I believe 40 out of the 44 members are going," Nicholas West (12) said.

Does the idea of programming all day bore you? Maybe a club like JETS is more your thing.

"We work together on physics. We did some research on our topic, roller coasters," Pukhrajjeet Chhokar (11) said.

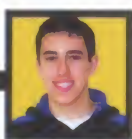
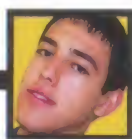
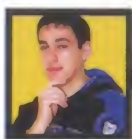
No matter what club grabs your attention, these clubs should prove to be a mind-expanding experience.

cesar pulido & brittany krstulovich



academics to the extreme

how stevan tomich (12) gets involved



Clubs that he's involved in include:

Academic Decathlon
Debate, founder/captain
Chemistry Club
Academic Super-Bowl-English/Math
Founder of Serbian Club
Dollars for Scholars
Academic Letter Winners
Interact
Spanish Club
JETS

be involved be dedicated be occupied be devoted be smart be focused



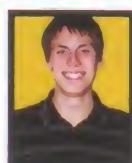
"Academic Superbowl consists of five people each with a caption, and we compete in individual subjects or on a seven man team,"

ryan kushch (10) said



"This is my first year on Academic Superbowl, and I am just interested in academics. I am also in Science Olympiad."

maurice mckinnis (11) said



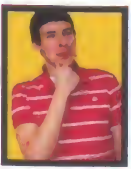
"This is my first year in Academic Superbowl. I joined for another academic opportunity and eligibility for NHS."

alexander martinez (12) said

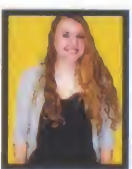


1. **be creative:** Science Olympiad members, Ryan McCabe (12) and John Hemmerling are interacting during a club meeting. "We are building a contraption out of marble game pieces and some wood for our competition this Saturday," said John Hemmerling (9).
2. **be crafty:** Preparing for an upcoming competition, Science Olympiad team members, John Hemmerling (9) and Charles Sayger (9) build a device for their event. The event was called The Junk Yard Challenge.
3. **be precise:** Utilizing their math and science skills, Ryan McCabe (12) and William Pollalis (9) work on their catapult. Their event involved projecting ping pong balls to a target.
4. **be studious:** Working on their project for their upcoming Science Olympiad tournament, Ryan McCabe (12) and William Pollalis (9) investigate the physics in their project. The two were constructing a catapult.
5. **be attentive:** Ms. Rita Chavez, Business, gives an overview of the year to BPA students. This was the club's first meeting of the year.
6. **be interested:** BPA officers Brett Guiden (12), Michal Broniek (12), Jay Lannin (12), and Shloka Kini (12) talk to incoming BPA members. They introduced themselves to the new members and informed them of the expectations.

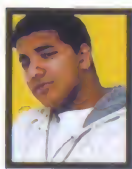
ed **be creative** **be committed** **be unified** **be academic** **be intellectual**



"I like computer programming, and BPA is a way to practice and compete. I have been involved for three years,"
Michelle West (12) said



"I joined debate because my brother, Tony Lyza ('08), was in it last year, and he said it was fun, and it looks good for college,"
Jessica Lee (10) said



"It's an engineering contest and JV beat varsity, and that's all that matters,"
Colin Hager (12) said



don't stop *believing*

11-7

see group photos for individual team scores

Seven seniors graduated last year and no one had high hopes for this year's team. The team lost a lot of talent after last year's seniors graduated, but it wasn't over for returning players. With two new freshmen on the team, it was sure to make things a little more interesting. The team got to work practicing new techniques and drills to help improve their performance.

"Amber's [our coach's] new drills were more focused on situations that we actually encountered on the court during our games. The drills really improved our playing in the long run. Plus new court drills ment less running which made us a happier team," Brooke Burczyk (12) said.

All their hard work and dedication paid off throughout the season. Proving that, they were ready for any challenge ahead of them.

"In the beginning of the season we were underdogs, we had to work really hard at practice to be as good as we were last year," Alyssa Boyle (11) said.

Although they weren't sure of how much they would accomplish, the team managed to win as many games as last year. They managed to keep their title as Zionsville Tournament champions and win their first game of Sectionals.

"Honestly, coming into the season, I had doubts about how good we were going to be, but after a few games I saw our potential and knew we had a chance to do really well throughout the season," Britney Tuskan (11) said.

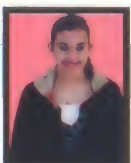
For what was supposed to be a rebuilding year, the upper-classmen came together with several underclassmen, who were key players, and assisted in leading the team to victory.

morgan goldsmith & brittany bencur

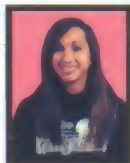
volleyball



a player be a hitter be a setter be a passer be a captain be a server be



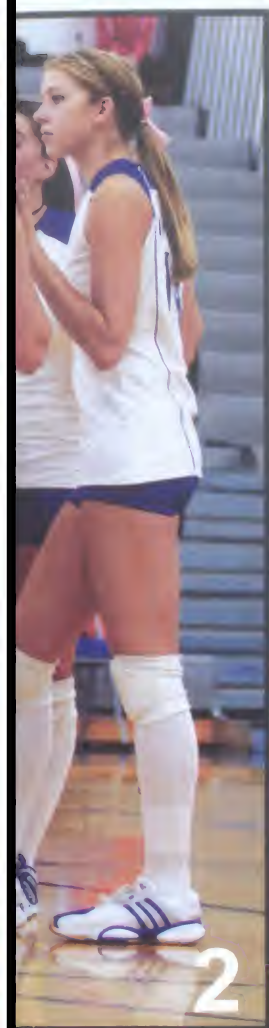
"My greatest achievement this year was making Varsity and being able to play in most of the games," *sarah anderson (9) said*



"My greatest achievement this year was being pulled up to Varsity and improving by playing with them," *rachel delira (9) said*



"My greatest achievement this year was making Varsity and lettering for the season," *salegh nosal (10) said*



- 1. be patriotic:** The team looks up to the flag as it appears from the ceiling. They interlocked fingers as their fellow teammate sang the national anthem.
- 2. be together:** Before every game, the starting six players come together, they huddled in a circle while motivating each other.
- 3. be aware:** The front row leads the team to determine the set up of the opposing offense. They used hand signals to speak to their teammates.
- 4. be big:** Samantha Maloney (12) and Alisha Auer (11) block during the first round of Sectionals. They defeated Morton to continue their Sectional run.
- 5. be respectful:** After a team wins three out of five games, both teams line up at the net. They commend the opposing team on a game well played.
- 6. be loud:** Brooke Burczyk (12) and Britney Tuskan (11) shout as the play ended with a "kill." Rebecca Trzupsek (12) led The Region in kills.

dedicated fans: *becoming the players*

Volleyball fans were very dedicated to the team throughout the season. There was one they could always count on to cheer them on to victory, Eric LaMorte (12).

"Since three of my best friends are seniors this year who had been supporting me through my football season, I thought they needed someone to support them every step of the way. Through bad times and good, I was always there to put a smile on their face and support them in any way I could. Wherever these girls go in life, whether its through sports or college, I hope they succeed in what ever road they take,"

eric la morte (12) said



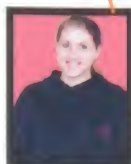
Samantha Maloney(12), Emily Levin(12), Eric LaMorte(12), Rebecca Trzupsek(12)



Eric LaMorte(12)



Hassan Issa(11), Keith Thompson(11), Jacob Harrison(11), Robert Keough(12), Nicholas Campbell(12), Nicholas Miljevic(12), Eric LaMorte(12)



"My greatest achievement this year was being awarded for best defensive player of the team at the banquet."

grace myers (12) said



"My greatest achievement this year was making Varsity and stepping in for the team when I was needed."

madison redar (11) said



"My greatest achievement this year was making Varsity and playing in the sectional game."

casey phillips (11) said



keep your heart *strong*

3-7

see group photos for individual team scores

Walking out onto the field, palms sweaty and anticipation rising, the football team went into the game prepared for an unexpected ending. The rain was falling on them at a constant downpour. It had

been 10 years since the team beat Crown Point. Fans became anxious as they waited for the game to begin.

Going into the game Captain Tylor Foster (12) didn't feel threatened by the fact we had not beat Crown Point in 10 years.

"It didn't matter because the past is the past," he said.

Crown Point scored the first touchdown; they were starting off strong. Our team was not going to give up.

"We were all focused on the game, we all went in knowing we were going to win," Dillon Jamroz (12) said.

The tension on the field was strong because the two teams were big rivals. Crown Point has been a rival in all sports for years. The football team showed us how they became closer as a team. Not only did they work hard to prepare for the win of the Crown Point game, they worked hard to create a family bond. They changed the motto from "Pride-Poise-Team" to "Family." This year the seniors wanted to concentrate a lot on promoting respect and not treating underclassmen like they weren't important.

"Last year and years past seniors treated underclassmen like garbage. As seniors, we wanted to set a standard of team unity for the future," Jeremy Harrison (12) said.

This season wasn't the strongest for the team, but they all became closer and had more trust in each other.

"I wouldn't trade the experience with this team for the success of last year's team," Harrison said.

stephanie costa & lani castaneda



football

be offensive be **linebacker** *be powerful be* **intense be** **alert be** *defensive*



"This season could have been better, but it was different because the team acted as a family and stuck together,"

andres arellano (11) said



"This was my first year here; I played at HF before. I became really close this year with others on the team,"

alphonso willis (12) said



"I thought training was really fun, Chris Hall was a lot of help. The girls were all really welcoming and helped me out,"

monica wartman (9) said



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into the future guess which players plan to play football after high school



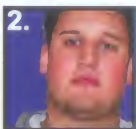
Jonathan Ganiyu (11)

a) "It's a maybe. I know I would stay fit. I think it depends what school I go to."

b) "I plan to play in college maybe Purdue or IU. If I ever have the chance to play professionally, I would."



Justin Nesbitt (11)



Mark Kalinich (12)

c) "I hope to play in college at Yale or Brown, but I won't be playing professionally. I'm going to grad school not the NFL."

d) "I have been playing all three years and I'm playing next year. I hope to play in college, maybe at Missouri. I love football."



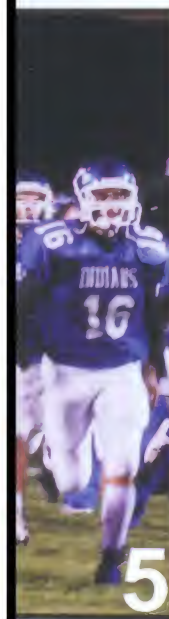
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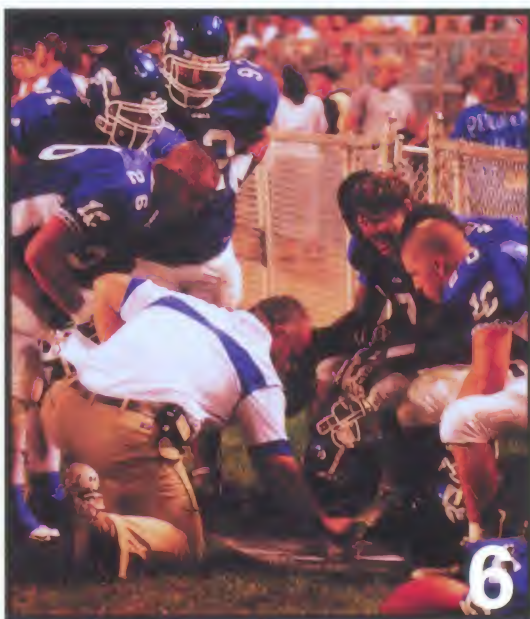
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1. be loving: The captains walk out on the field holding hands during a Merrville game. They walked out on the field for the coin flip to choose who had the ball first.

2. be amped: The football team jumps up and down to get riled up for Homecoming. Although we did not win, the team was still in good spirits.

3. be fast: Anthony Albomonte (10) dashes down the field to score during a LaPorte game. Albomonte was one of the few sophomores running backs.

4. be alert: Tanner Redlarczyk (10) catches the ball in a game against Valparaiso. Varsity went on to finish their season with a 3-7 in the Duneland Athletic Conference.

5. be motivated: The team runs through the banner on Homecoming night. The cheerleaders were responsible for making the hoops for all the teams to run through.

6. be determined: A few players strategize with Coach Jim Magrames during their time off the field. The team played against the LaPorte Slicers that evening.

be spirited **be determined** **be involved** **be motivated** **be tough**



"We had a lot of potential to do better this season, but it was the most fun. Since it's my senior year, I have a lot of memories to look back on," *Aanchal Sanghera (12) said.*



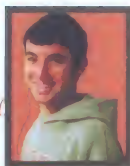
"I'm playing next year and senior year. This is my fifth year playing. I am offensive-line, so I get to block people," *John Decker (10) said.*



"I liked being a trainer because I've been doing it for three years and I love football. It's fun to get closer to the guys on the team," *Isabella Jurkiewicz (12) said.*



"I was extremely nervous about Sectionals. My partner, and I were listening to Radiohead to calm down before the match," *william simes (12) said*



"My favorite part about sectionals was almost winning the first set of my match. I didn't win the set, but it was really close," *gary snyder (11) said*



"In the off season, I hope to become a smarter, stronger, and more disciplined player. I can only expect myself to do my best," *thomas lozanoski (9) said*

be a *hitter* be *focused* be *aggressive* be *a darkhorse* be *loud* be *a partner*



DAC *champions*

12-4

see group photos for individual team scores

After coming back from last year's third place finish in the Duneland Athletic Conference, the boys tennis team wanted to be sure to raise their expectations.

"This was my first year on the team. I wasn't sure how tough our conference

was, so I just planned to play my best," Thomas Lozanoski (9) said.

Lozanoski's plan and the other team members' ambition helped win the title.

"It felt amazing," Matthew Radencic (11) said after the team won the Duneland Athletic Conference title. The team had to wait until the last match of the season against Michigan City as the deciding factor.

"Winning 5-0 against LaPorte was the most exciting part about Conference," William Simes (12) said.

The team started off their season winning over LaPorte and they continued their winning streak with major wins against Portage, Chesterton, and Crown Point.

"There was not a defining moment in conference, except the fact that each time we won we knew we were one step closer to winning it all," Lozanoski said.

Then they won against Michigan City and clinched the title. They were the first tennis team from our school to be the Duneland Athletic Conference champions.

"We celebrated with the families at school. There were signs and 'We Are the Champions' music," Radencic said.

The newly won title brought much fame and pride to entire team, along with its coaches.

"It was very fulfilling as a coach. We made progress last year and 'spring-boarded' off of it into this year," Coach Ralph Holden, Social Studies, said.

*christy conrad annemarie rompica
& megan wojcik*

boys tennis



"We practiced every day. Practices included hitting and pumping iron. I hated the new weight room training." *Bradley Spruer (11) said*



"I am going to try as hard as I can for next year, and whatever happens, happens. I just hope to make it out of sectionals." *Matthew Radencic (11) said*



"I felt awesome about winning the Merrillville tournament. It was the first year Will [Simes (12)] and I won and the team won." *Adam Wroughton (11) said*

unselfish be courageous be unpredictable be amazing be doubles be ready



1. **be in the zone:** Matthew Radencic (11) battles Munster's 2 singles player for a Sectional win. The team lost to Munster 1-4.
2. **be aggressive:** Adam Wroughton (11) returns the ball to the Valporaiso opponent. The final home match was won with a score of 4-1.
3. **be disciplined:** Williams Simes (12) warms up for his one singles match against Valporaiso. "It was the most difficult team to play against," Simes said.
4. **be communicative:** Gary Snyder (11) and Marc Radovich (11) have a quick word in between shots. They lost to Munster's two doubles at sectionals.
5. **be ready:** Thomas Lozanoski (9) runs to place, anticipating a return from Munster. He was the only freshmen on the Varsity team this season.
6. **be a team:** Varsity boys tennis team gathers for their pre-match speech. The boys were preparing themselves for the match against Highland.

be an achiever District Coach of the Year



Coach Ralph Holden, Social Studies, received the District Coach of the Year award for his efforts this season. "It always feels good when your colleagues recognize your ability to run a competitive program," Holden said. The team worked hard and set records. "We exceeded my own expectations. I couldn't have asked for more," Holden said.

Northwest Indiana All-Star

"It felt fantastic," William Simes (12) said. Simes was invited to participate in the Indiana All-Star competition on November 1. "I played three matches, I destroyed my last match," Simes said. The match required him to play with people he once competed against from the Northwest area. "It was fun having them on my team, but I played worse than I expected," Simes said.





"We worked really hard this season. I'm proud of everyone. I'm going to miss the seniors. It's going to be a lot different without them."
miroslava repak (10) said



"My favorite part of the season is Regionals and Sectionals. It gets more exciting, and you find out if you're going to go to State or not."
Michelle Raczkowski (10) said



"The girls all get along well. It's a lot of fun to be able to go out there and have fun with your friends. It's a competition against other schools, but it's also a competition against yourself."
Kathryn Peterson (9) said

be golfer be supportive be spectator be confident be hitter



keep an open mind

10-0

see group photos for individual team scores

Some teams may have had to jump over a few hurdles to overcome the challenges of a new coach, but the girls golf team saw no problems with the transition of Coach Rossiano taking the place of Coach Johnson.

That's not to say the girls weren't skeptical at first. The team received a letter during the summer informing them of the new coach. "I was pretty upset. I really liked having Mr. Johnson as a coach," Jennifer Pufahl (10) said.

Some of the girls questioned how the team would be run under the leadership of the new coach. "What if he's really mean or doesn't even care about the team?" Emily Sandefur (10) said.

Fortunately, the girls had nothing to worry about. "I liked the new coach a lot. He was someone we could relate to because he was a younger guy. It was nice because we always were joking around and having a good time," Megan Matura (12) said.

It can't be easy coaching a group of teenage girls as well as having to gain their respect as a new coach. "We all really grew to like him. Plus, he can handle our crazy behavior," Brianna Davy (11) said.

The girls not only met the challenges of a new coach with ease, but were successful in their season as well. "It was our second year in a row going undefeated in our matches. We also won a couple more tournaments this year, and in recent years we would have never imagined winning them," Matura said.

As their two seniors graduate, the others plan to step up and continue the team's success. "Next year I'm looking forward to having a great season, showing my improvement and just being with the girls," Pufahl said.

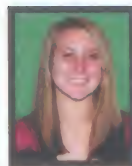
lauren rigg & rebecca kimberly

top girls





"I improved towards the end [of the season], and I got a lot better than I was at the beginning,"
megan falat (9) said

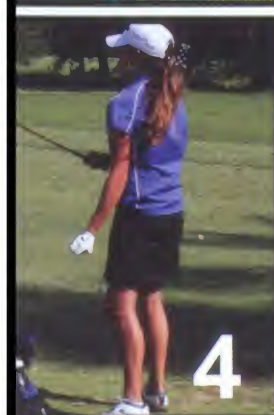
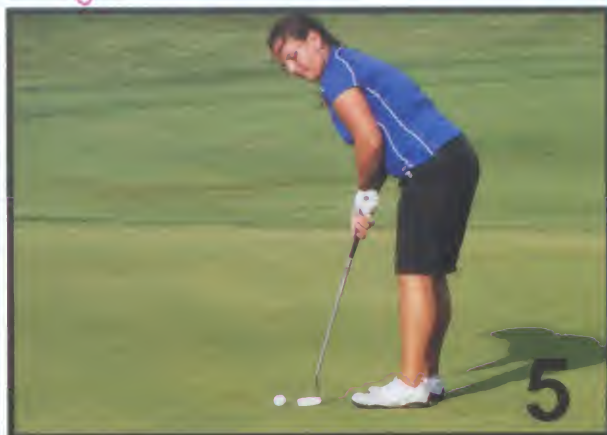
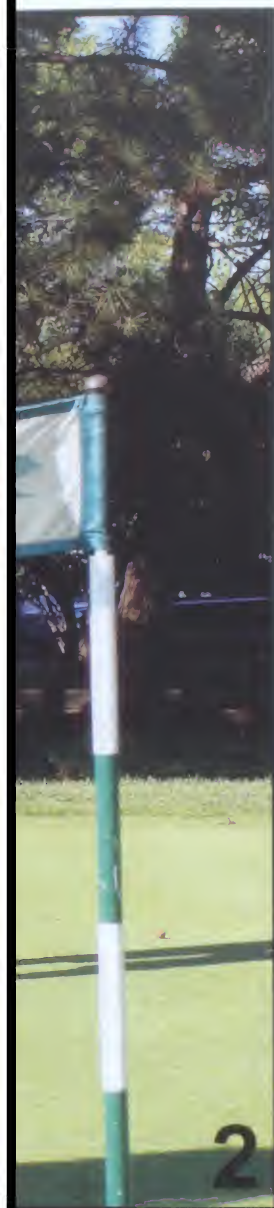


"My favorite memory was when I got to play a varsity tournament at Sandy Pines. It was my first varsity tournament, and I was scared at first but I had a lot of fun,"
lisa rodriguez (10) said



"I think doing well at our Richmond tournament was our biggest accomplishment as a team. We got in the top 10,"
brianna davy (11) said

be hard-working be a putter be successful be a team be proud be a winner



1. **be unified:** The varsity girls pose at the Hall of Fame Tournament in Richmond, Indiana. The team placed tenth overall.

2. **be careful:** Emily Sandefur (10) putts at Briar Ridge during practice before a match. Her lowest 18 hole score was 86.

3. **be focused:** Morgan Goldsmith (12) putts during a playoff at Sectionals. Goldsmith said she won in a playoff "after shooting the best round of my life."

4. **be determined:** Megan Matura (12), at the top of her swing, prepares to hit. "Bonding with everyone on the team [in Richmond] was nice," Matura said.

5. **be powerful:** Jennifer Pufahl (10) warms up at Briar Ridge before a match. "I think as a team we did really well and had a really strong team," Pufahl said.

6. **be prepared:** Emily Sandefur (10) practices with the team before a match. "My favorite memory was coming in first at sectionals," Sandefur said.

7. **be accurate:** Brianna Davy (11) lines up a shot. "It was a good season. I thought we would've gotten a lot farther, so it was disappointing," Davy said.

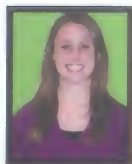
be the lone player

Morgan Goldsmith (12) was the only girl to qualify for state, after shooting one of the top 3 scores at Regionals. She would advance to State at the Legends golf course in Indianapolis.

"The fact that I made it down there for my senior year was definitely an *amazing* accomplishment for myself. I got to miss two days of school to play golf in *beautiful weather*, with my coach and one of my best friends. *it doesn't get much better*
Goldsmith said.



"Everyone on the team got along really well. We were all hardworking and dedicated. The team always stayed positive. It was a great season,"
Megan Chen (11) said



"The team was like my second family. We were all there for each other. We took care of each other. Being so close helped us get better because we would always cheer for each other,"
Danielle Zurochuk (11) said



"This year for XC was great. We all again really bonded and worked well together as a team. It was a really fun season, and I'm so excited for next year,"
Karolin Smerczak (10) said

be determined be fit be quick be strong be exhausted be small be fun be



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don't forget: *teamwork*

9-0

When you're so tired you can barely walk and you see your teammate about to collapse, you reach out your hand to help her. Why? Teamwork.

see group photos for individual team scores

"Our team was brought closer together this year because of hard work.

When we would be out on the track and we could barely walk, the other girls would offer a hand and help you out," Monica Feuste (10) said.

Your legs are wobbly, your lungs feel as if they're going to fall out, and sweat is pouring from every inch of your body and as you look next to you the same thing is happening to not only your teammate, but your sister.

"Instead of us becoming close to just one other girl, we were able to become closer to two girls this season. We changed the big sister tradition. Usually we only do big and little sisters, but this year we changed it to big, middle, and little sisters," Nicole Kunis (11) said.

This year's girls cross country team was closer than ever. The girls were like family and really looked out for each other.

"This season was only my second year on the team, but it felt like I've always been part of it," Jenny Kranc (12) said.

The girls cross country team has always been about dedication and teamwork, but this season the girls were bonded more than ever which helped bring no surprise when they took second at state for the second year in a row.

"I'm very proud of our girls and cannot wait to see what we will do next season," Feuste said. These girls brought it all this year: hard work, teamwork, dedication, leadership, support, sisterly love, and all for a feeling of a job well done with a great season.

stephanie slevnik & beka kasper

girls XC





"We were all really close as a team and all worked really hard which made us successful. We acted like a family and pushed each other to do our best."
Kailey Jensen (10) said



"I'd have to say my teammates made my last year of XC a blast. Senior night felt like Christmas, getting all those gifts I'm going to remember these years for the rest of my life."
Kailey Jensen (12) said

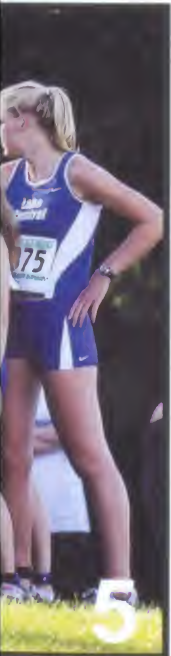


"All the girls on the team get along great and are really supportive of each other. It was a huge accomplishment when we achieved state runners up for the second time in a row."
Dana Payonk (10) said

excited be sweaty be energized be enduring be sisters be hydrated be fun



being a freshman
 Joining cross country helped me
meet a lot of
 people my freshman
year. I really
 want to continue XC
 throughout high school,
Jill Sharp (9) said



- 1.** **be free:** The girls cross country team jumps into a lake after their meet. They competed in the Culver Invite on September 9.
- 2.** **be quick:** Megan Plenus (11), Kailey Jensen (12), and Dana Payonk (11) lead the pack of girls at the meet against Valparaiso. They finished strong.
- 3.** **be strong:** Rachel Zajac (12) runs hard at the home meet on Sept. 2. Zajac ended her season with a race time of 21:54 at the state finals.
- 4.** **be surprised:** Jenny Kranc (12) opens a gift of pom-poms at the girls senior night. The six seniors all got gifts from their teammates.
- 5.** **be pumped:** The JV team huddles together before their meet at the Gavitt Invite. Before every meet the girls huddled up for a pep talk from Mrs. Denise Rush, physical education, and the girls prayed.
- 6.** **be energetic :** Dana Payonk (11) and Rachel Zajac (12) lead teammates at the meet against Valparaiso. They paced themselves through out the whole meet.



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practice makes perfect

3-4

see group photos for individual team scores

When was the last time a sports team did not have any seniors? Well the boys cross country team fought their way through this season without a single senior to lead them. The boys didn't let that affect their running. The team

started off the season very strong and with high hopes.

"Without Seniors we felt a little short-handed compared to most other teams, but I think it motivated us to gain more independence and leadership qualities," Jeffery Trembacki (11) said.

We could say the team starts off each season at the Brahm's Running Camp for a week, but that would be unfair because the team never has an off season. The team runs all year long whether it is on their own time or in track.

"I feel like we devote our lives to this sport but it's worth it," Efrain Flores (11) said.

Each season at Brahm's, the team has some of their best bonding moments of the season. They spend a week full of exercising, training, bonding, running, eating, talent shows, and late nights. These memories are some of their favorites of the year.

"We went to throw water balloons at the Plainfield kids. When we threw the balloons, we broke a window of their cabin and ended up having to pay the \$160 for it," Jacob Ponton (11) said.

But by no stretch is cross county an easy sport. When the boys run the races, they are no longer worried about their times like they are in practice; all they focus on is where they are in the pack compared to the other runners. The team makes sacrifices besides devoting all of their energy, like waking up at 5 a.m. on Saturdays, and having no free time. Dedication is what lead them being sectional champs and helped them push all the way to semi-state even without any seniors.

Michelle Sweeney & Lanie Reynolds

boys XC

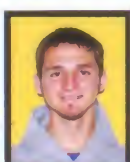


be intense be fun be driven be a runner be insane be fast be different



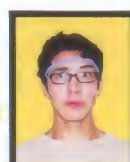
"Our sport is other sport's punishment - that is all we do. These kids are dedicated."

Jeff Trembacki (11)



"During practice I think I pay more attention to my splits and pace while running. I always wear a watch."

Jeffery Trembacki (11)



"During meditation, I chew my bubble gum, and then I really start to relax because of Skrupa's calm and relaxing voice."

Efrain Flores (11)



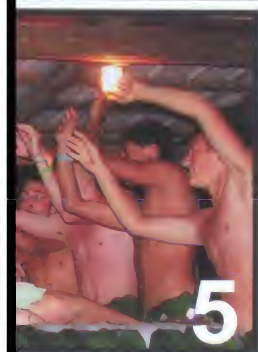
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1. **be fast:** Jacob Ponton (11) practically flies around the Lake Central course. He managed to place in the top ten on September 23.
2. **be happy:** Jamen Lane (11) and Christopher Jelewski (11) fight over the chair at a pasta party. It was held the night before their biggest race of the season, semi-state.
3. **be strong:** Eric Hickok (10), Christopher Jelewski (11), and Erik Plesha (10) help push each other through the race. The team fought their way up with out the support of seniors.
4. **be intense** Erik Plesha (10) is only a few feet from finishing a home meet. Over all he had an impressive finish that helped the team's overall score.
5. **be crazy:** The boys cross country team sings "In the Jungle" from the Lion King. The team won first place at the talent show at Brahm's running camp.
6. **be determined:** Kevin Horecky (11) helps the team move up against Crown Point and Valporasio. Horecky ran a great race and placed 7th overall.

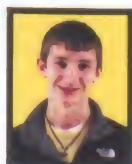
a year without seniors



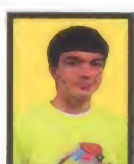
- positive**
- Team guarenteed to move up
 - Same team next year
 - A practice year at being in-charge
 - No sadness from seniors leaving
 - Allows the team to create a bond

- negative**
- Juniors expected to take overseniors leadership roles
 - Less leadership than if seniors were on the team
 - Less experienced team members
 - Less teammates with cars and drivers licenses
 - Disadvantage against other teams

rent **be connected** **be metal** **be progressive** **be quick** **be focused**



"I just try to stick with the team for the two hours [we practice], until 4:30, doing what other teams don't want to do."



"I usually talk when I run because, it gets my mind off the run, but everyone else normally just tells me to shut up."

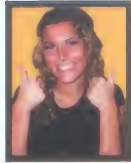


"We work hard just like everyone else, our team is dedicated and gets good result to show for it."



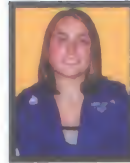
"We weren't just a team who practiced afterschool. We are always together off the field. They are my best friends."

Emily Cooper (11) said



"We had an amazing season, and I'm going to miss playing with all my best friends."

Morgan Stewart (12) said



"I think we had an awesome season. The end was kind of disappointing because we could've gone to State."

Rachel Morrison (11) said

be athletic be responsible be quick be active be competitive be quick



we're all in this together

17-2

see group photos for individual team scores

Being on a team is more than just playing games together. It's about becoming family. Most of these girls have been playing together since they were in sixth grade and have faced the difficulties of life together, supported each other, and most importantly, made life long memories together. They have worked hard for their entire high school career, not only to better themselves, but to set an example and a standard.

In order to achieve this goal the team depended on their coaches, the support of their friends, family, and the student body to motivate them to surpass their opponents.

"When we practice we like to have fun and when we get on the soccer field for a game we are serious and very focused and ready to do what we need to do," Ashely Doreski (11) said.

At SemiState they won the first game which was against Chesterton.

"The first game was just crazy. We dominated the whole game until at the end they got a lucky call which led into a free shot at the goal," Jessica Gates (12) said. Thankfully, the girls ended up winning 2-1 in overtime. "We were playing down so it was really good that we stepped up to win. We were all happy, but we knew we still had to focus because we had another game to play that night," Gates said. Unfortunately, the girls ended up being defeated in their second game by Culver Academy.

To ease the sense of sadness of never being able to play together as a team again after the season, the girls are trying to set up an alumni game where they play against the new varsity team of 2010.

Mr. Richard Moore, Dean, will never forget coaching these girls. Moore said, "[This team has been] one of the best teams that we've had at Lake Central for several years; great kids and great soccer players. It was very nice and enjoyable to coach those girls."

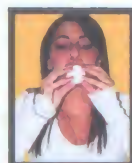
Lindsey Janiga & Jessica Moore

girls soccer



"We had a good season. We should have made it to State because we had the skill. Catching frogs will be missed."

Samantha Cook (12) said



"My favorite memory is when Sam Cook would call the DAC and State before every game and say, 'We're going to make a statement.' And end the call by saying, 'Love you too.'"

Samantha Cook (12) said



"I'll miss all the girls of course, and I will miss the dance raves in the hotel rooms and Rico in his swishy pants."

Kayla Hughes (11) said

be spirited be determined be fast be motivated be strong be supportive



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1. **be persistent:** Samantha Cook (12) races towards the ball. "I was trying to kick the ball across the field to assist a goal," Cook said. Cook was named Player of the Year.
2. **be first:** Emily Peppin (11) races against her opponent during the first sectional game. Peppin assisted her team in the victory against Hobart.
3. **be aggressive:** Ashely Doeski (11) dribbles down the field while surpassing the hobart opponent. Doeski was one of the leading scorers on the team.
4. **be strong:** Amanda Garton (12) stands her ground while trying to get the ball around a Hobart opponent. After this play, she was pulled out of the game due to a critical knee injury.
5. **be dedicated:** The girls are stands in the pouring rain, waiting to start their game. Every player's name and position is announced before each game.
6. **be dependable:** Brooke Polus (11) punts a ball she just saved back onto the field. Polus stepped up to play goalie when the team needed her the most.

be in disguise



match the soccer player with their mask

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|------------------|--------------------|
| 1. Kayla Hughes | 5. Lauren Rigg |
| 2. Genna Noel | 6. Jessica Gates |
| 3. Samantha Cook | 7. Nicole Bardoczi |
| 4. Amanda Garton | 8. Megan Uzubell |

be revealed

The story behind the masks: Amanda Garton (12) and Samantha Cook (12) bought the masks at Walmart and they wore them on the bus one day. Mr. Richard Moore, Dean, got scared and told the girls they could never wear them again. For senior night, the underclassmen decorated the seniors' lockers and put a mask in each locker. The girls wore them to the next game during warm up to lighten the mood since it was raining.

ANSWERS: 1.E, 2.H, 3.G, 4.B, 5.A, 6.F, 7.I, 8.C



becoming a *family*

16-4

see group photos for individual team scores

Every team starts off the season with their eyes on the prize, going to State. This goal was shared by the boy soccer team. Although they didn't make far enough to achieve their goal, the boys still had many highlights.

"The best moment of this soccer season was beating Valparaiso and then beating Crown Point to win the DAC," Jacob Lecea (12) said.

The team proceeded to Regional Finals where they lost to Munster 0-3. This loss ended the team's chance of going to the State Championship.

"My biggest disappointment was losing to Munster and our season ending. I wish that we could still be playing together," Nathan Lozanoski (12) said.

The players were able to rely on one another for support. However, they did not take their time together too seriously, and they were able to make light of almost any situation.

"A memorable moment this year was when Nate got hurt and made loud, indiscernible noises like a rhinoceros," Stephen Ragan (12) said.

The team's soccer season may have been shorter than the boys would have liked, the close bonds on the team gave them many memories they'll never forget.

"It was a senior group that had been together a lot even before high school, so it had a family feel," Coach Jereme Rainwater, Vocational, said.

This soccer season did not finish the way many would have liked to see it. However, the experiences the team went through together proved unforgettable.

"The only thing I would change would be to advance farther in the post season, so I could spend more time with my teammates," Lecea said.

nina dimaggio & brittany krstulovich

boys soccer



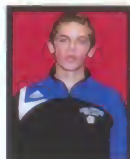
a goalie be defense be dedicated be aggressive be on the ball be in



"This season was the best season of all my four years here," *jacob lecea (12) said*



"We were built to fly. We took off and then crashed and burned," *evan rytlewski (12) said*



"It was a fun year for the soccer team, but unfortunately we didn't achieve all of the goals that we set out for at the beginning of the season," *corey lee (12) said*

pasta parties: describing the teams' tradition

Nicholas Miljevic (12): "I had the party at my house because I felt it necessary that I carry on the tradition of seniors hosting pasta parties because I'm the coolest senior, I volunteered."

Fabian Urquiza (11): "We have pasta parties two days before a game so we can carb-load. Also, it increases team chemistry."

Manuel Rios (9): "My first pasta party was fun because it was fun hanging out with the upperclassmen."

Adam Szewciw (12): "At the pasta party, we watched the film of our game. We formed closer bonds by insulting each other and laughing together."



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1. be unified: The team stands together waiting for the national anthem to start. The starters were announced at the beginning of every game.

2. be aggressive: Douglas Petersen (10) struggles to regain the ball from a Portage player. This was Petersen's second year on the Varsity team.

3. be flexible: Anthony Halterman (12) attempts to block a ball shot by a Portage player. Halterman succeeded in defending the goal.

4. be defensive: Adam Szewciw (12) and Geoffrey Bowman (12) fight to gain control of the ball. Bowman later scored against the Portage team.

5. be accurate: Nicholas Miljevic (12) passes the ball toward the goal in the game against Portage. The team went on to beat Portage 5-1.

be zone be ready be a mid fielder be in the goal be a family be a



"It was a good season, but the ending was like an episode of Scrubs, by that I mean awful,"
vincent rendina (12) said



"This year's soccer season was a disappointment because we expected to go far,"
adam misurly (12) said



"My senior year soccer season was like a good movie with a bad ending,"
stephen ragan (12) said



just keep *working*

jv

JV sports are a chance for younger athletes to show off their skills. They live for the hard practices, the pasta parties, the tape sessions. JV athletes are dedicated to what they do because they know if they perform, they will be able to have a spot on the grand stage of high school sports, varsity.

"We are determined, driven, successful, family-like, and disciplined," Josh Berwanger, soccer, (10) said.

Being on JV might not be what an athlete wants, but JV athletes just need to be determined and hard-working and they might get a chance to play up at the next level.

Some of the JV teams were very successful this year. One such team was the JV football team, who went undefeated. This success could be attributed to the use of the new weight room. "I love the new weight room. We spend a whole lot of time in it too," Edward Willis (10) said.

Weight training has definitely been a big part of the team's success this season. The weight room has also helped other sports, such as JV Tennis.

"It is great. There is so much to do to improve our physical strength and make our team better," Oliver Zahrn (9) said.

Seeing improvement on the field requires more than just weight training. It takes hours and hours of practice to improve play on the field.

"We practiced every day after school Monday through Saturday," Willis said. Practicing often is not just a characteristic of one sport. "We practiced every day except for days we had games," Berwanger said.

Most JV athletes dream of playing on Varsity.

"I wish I could have been higher ranked and had an opportunity to improve my game," Zahrn said.

JV athletes just need to persevere and work hard, and their dream of playing on varsity just might become a reality.

chris einterz & karman weathersby

JV looks

be an overachiever be a runner be *fast* be a kicker be a goalie be a



"There isn't an 'I' in team. It's a team performance, so I didn't play good. The team performed better than expected,"

bryan perez (9) said



"The weight room is the place where you build strength and speed, and I believe that it helped us achieve a winning season,"

david piccoske (10) said



"I think at the Culver [Invitational] I performed my best. I ran a 19:19, and that was the first time I broke twenty minutes."

keith hickok (9) said



1. **be obstinate:** Daniel Peterson (11) and Robert Repasi (12) warm up before a tennis match. The boys played Munster that day. This was Peterson's first year lettering.

2. **be driven:** Antonio Trevino (11) runs during a Cross Country meet. Trevino improved greatly from last season. Trevino was the leader of the pack during the majority of the race.

3. **be determined:** Joshua Berwanger (10) dribbles the ball during a JV soccer match. Berwanger moved from the position of goalie to defense through the season.

4. **be steadfast:** Randy Maksimik (9) passes the ball to a teammate. Maksimik played as the defensive end for the team and was one of many teammates.

5. **be unwavering:** Seth Frey (11) runs with the ball during a game against Merrillville. "A stand-out moment was the win against Crown Point: 10-7. We had a goal line stand at the 1 [yard line]," Frey said.

6. **be unrelenting:** Nicholas Martinez (11) fights to breathe during a Cross Country meet. "At the Harrison Invite, there was a 200 meter straight away, and then I broke off and lead the whole race. I set a personal record," Martinez said.



words of wisdom from a cross country runner

Q: what advice would you give to someone trying out for the team?

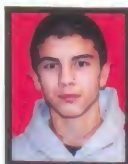
A: **"never quit"**



Jamen Lane (10)



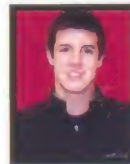
ed be above be tackled be active be involved be higher be fortified



"I faced a senior once, and I thought I wasn't going to win a match on him. I lost that match, but I won three games on him in the end,"
oliver zahn (9) said



"I wish I could have gotten closer to breaking 19 minutes this year. I practiced from July to October,"
alex thompson (9) said



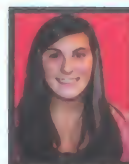
"I performed a lot better at my meets than last year, so I achieved a lot of my goals."
thomas paschen (11) said



"My family plays golf, so I picked up a club and started. I love being on the team. We all get along well. I plan to keep playing."
Lisa Rodriguez (10) said



"My cousin plays golf, and we went to Sherwood. That's when it grew on me. The team did good this year. I'm proud of everyone."
Mira Repak (10) said



"I've been playing golf since fifth grade. It is a mental and physical game. I'm really looking forward to next year."
Megan Falat (10) said

be *strong* be *fast* be *kicker* be *a runner* be *a setter* be *a putter* be

"I'm not really into strenuous sport. Golf is laid back. This year we had a really good team with good players. Everyone really tried,"

Kathryn Peterson (9) said

just keep *pushing*

XC

see group photos for individual team scores

Your legs are starting to burn, your time is increasing by the second, and your team is cheering you on. The girls cross country team found ways to push themselves to their limits.

Although the girls JV team run individually, they came together as a team and acted like a family at the end of the day.

"I really like cross country. It's not just about running, it's about the team. Everyone is nice to each other," Elise Boyd (11) said.

The girls had fierce conditioning and achieved much.

"This season we lifted more weights than last year and our practices were a lot harder," Danielle Durochick (11) said.

They had to practice harder to beat their biggest rivalry, Carmel. The runners pushed themselves to achieve what they are passionate about.

"We were expected to do better than we actually were doing, but in the end we came together and got state runner-up," Melanie Bates (11) said.

Winning State runner-up takes more than just conditioning and lifting weights. The girls had to learn to communicate with their team members and coaches.

"We condition all summer long, twice a day Monday through Friday. On the weekends we run on our own. We also went to a camp in Kentucky at the end of July," Katelin Smierciak (10) said. To these girls running in the heat, lifting weights in the stuffy weight room and sweating from their flushed faces is what they live for.

"There was a lot of new people because we lost about six seniors. We all had to work a little bit harder," Smierciak said.

Although the team was much different from last year, they found a way to work together more as a family than a team.

"I felt that it was a really good season. We all worked hard and worked as a team," Durochik said.

Emily Demario & Jennifer Gamboa

130 *be us*



girls JV



"I've been playing soccer since I was five, but being on the LC team was fun. I thought we did good for our first year," *taylor shoemaker (9) said*



"Lake Central soccer was more competitive, and the practices were harder, but it was more fun. We did good this year. No one fought," *heather olson (9) said*



"I've been playing soccer since age three. I loved playing this year. There were a lot more people to build friendships with," *jane gates (9) said*

motivated be shooter be enduring be goalie be willing be hitte



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getting to know...

kelsey egipuro

age: 14

grade: freshman

memorable moment:

playing varsity

best part about being on the team:

the friends you make

been playing since age: 7

workout:

training every day whether it's with the team or at home



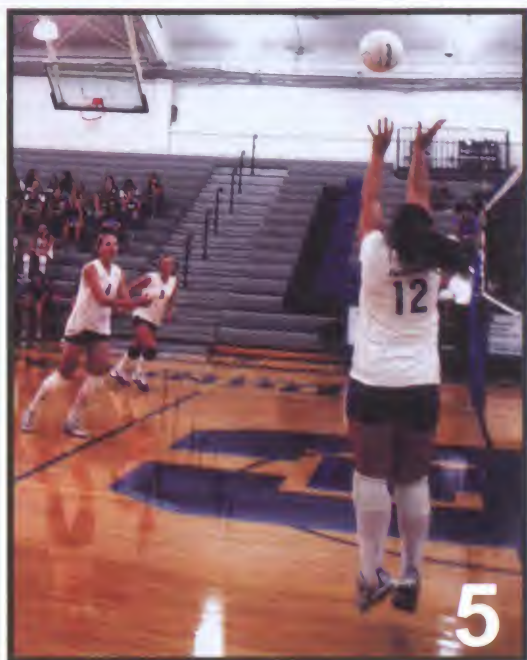
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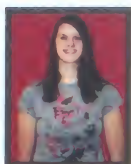
1. **be driven:** Danielle Durochick (11) races to the finish line in hopes of making it there before her opponent. The meet was against Crown Point and Valparaiso High School.

2. **be supportive:** JV soccer girls watch and cheer on the Varsity soccer team. They showed their good team spirit by sitting in the stands and motivating the other girls.

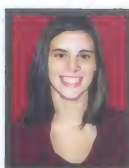
3. **be persistent:** Elise Boyd (11) and Courtney Croft (11) run together at the meet against Valparaiso and Crown Point. Both of the girls had a good season and finished strong.

4. **be calm:** Allison Czazasty (9) and Gina Cybulski (9) huddle together with other freshmen players for motivation. They stuck together for a good game.

5. **be ready:** Ashley Wojcik (10) sets the ball. Teammates, Nikki Adams (9), and Lindsay Needham (10) ran to score against the Mustangs.



"The sectional game against West Side was my favorite game of the season. Even though we lost, we all played really well and we didn't let them have it easily. We put up a really good fight," *andrea kras (11) said*



"My favorite memory was when our team went to Chili's and Coldstone before attending sectionals, or possibly when the whole team wore layers to practice," *alyssa boyle (11) said*



"My favorite memory was scoring 19 points to put us ahead for a win at Merrillville. It was interesting to go through three overtimes and win by 30 against the same team," *carolyn sandrick (10) said*

be a shooter be a team be m.v.p be focused be loud be a blocker be



season opener *win*

12-10

see group photos for individual team scores

The Lady Indians started off the season as the darkhorse of the Duneland Athletic Conference.

"We were the underdogs in the DAC, and we impressed a lot of people. We also played a very intense couple of games in the DAC

and blew a lot of them out," Ashley Doeski (11) said.

Their season started with an opening game win against the Griffith Panthers 43-41. Throughout the season the team had their hard games, but then there were those easier games to follow them up.

"The hardest game was the West Side game. It was the most difficult, especially mentally, because we were so close to a win, then let it slip away. That was really disappointing for me," Carolyn Sandrick (10) said.

Even after the games they lost, the girls didn't slow down. They went right back to practicing and focusing on skills they needed to get ready for the next game.

"We worked a lot on defense and what to be ready for with certain teams we played and we worked on different offenses among many other things," Andrea Kras (11) said.

Through all the practices and games the girls had that one game that stuck out to them.

"My favorite game of the season was the triple overtime against Merrillville at home. To beat them in three overtimes and then kick their butts by thirty points was amazing," Grace Myers (12) said.

No matter what the outcome of the game was or how many drills they ran at practice, the girls knew they had each other.

"The team was really close. We had our breakfast together on Saturdays, we would have some pasta parties, a Christmas party, and go out to eat with everyone after good games," Mallory Horvat (12) said.

christy conrad and karman weathersby

girls basketball



"LaPorte was definitely the easiest game of the season. I fell on a girl and just remember looking over and seeing all my coaches laughing."
grace myers (12) said



"My favorite games of the season was the game against Portage; when we were losing and came back and won. Mallory Horvat (12) and I lead the team with 15 and 18 points."
kaley marcinak (11) said



"The hardest game of the season was the sectional finals against West Side. We went into double over time and lost. It was devastating."
brittany tuskan (11) said

be a defender be ready be aggressive be a forward be a senior



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a team of only 2 seniors

mallory horvat



"Being the only 2 seniors was a lot of fun this season. Grace is a good person and an awesome basketball player. I hate the feeling of basketball being over."

grace myers



"I've been playing basketball forever, so many of my memories came from basketball. I would not have it any other way this season. I love Malley Cat."

1. **be a team:** Leslie Iwema, Foreign Language, talks to her team during a timeout against the LaPorte Slicers. Time-outs were chances for Iwema to give advice to the team.
2. **be aggressive:** Kaley Marcinak (11) tries to regain possession of the ball in a game against Michigan City's Takenya Nixon (12). The Lady Indians ended up losing that game 42-52.
3. **be a defender:** The defense guards the ball to keep Griffith from taking a shot. The girls beat Griffith 43-39 in their opening game of the season.
4. **be ready:** Andrea Kras (11) prepares to grab the rebound during a free-throw shot. Kras's height gave her an advantage against the shorter players.
5. **be a fighter:** Grace Myers (12) fights to keep the ball away from Michigan City players to take it up and make the shot. Myers has played on the varsity team for two years.
6. **be energetic:** Mallory Horvat (12) stands in position ready for the rebound off the free throw shot. The Lady Indians played the Portage Indians at their last home game of the season.

1. **be hardworking:** Keith Thompson(11) takes a moment to wipe the sweat from his face. Thompson was one of the few underclassmen to start.
2. **be focused:** Kyle Kaluza (12) focuses on his opponent while dribbling the basketball, trying to surpass him. The boys were able to come out with a win.
3. **be supportive:** Benjamin Sporman (11), David Samardzija (12), Byrne Dempsey (12), and Kyle Scheffel (12) cheer on their teammates during the sectional game. The boys were always very supportive of their team mates.
4. **be aggressive:** Eric Summers (12) tries to avoid a block while attempting to pass the ball to a teammate. Summers was able to help the team achieve a victory against Portage.
5. **be ready:** Kyle Scheffel (12) stretches before the sectional game against East Chicago. Scheffel was supported throughout the season by senior students known as Scheffel's Chefs.
6. **be a team:** The team lays in a circle before the start of their sectional game against East Chicago. This ritual had become a traditon amongst basketball players.



one large melting pot

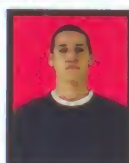
athletes from all different ethnicities come together



be a winner be athletic be supportive be united be a top scorer be proud



"My favorite part was the humus because I made a plate of it for 'Swoll.' I also liked watching [Jeff] Sandor, [English] dunk," *Loar issa (11) said*



"My favorite part of the season was dunking on the underclassmen during warmups and going to Old Country Buffet before games with Leith Hobbs (11)," *kurt kudrecke (11) said*



"The best moment of the year was getting to know my coach's friend J.P. He was a very funny guy. I also really enjoyed the bus rides. They were really crazy," *david samardzija (12) said*

saying goodbye to *seniors*

15-5

see group photos for individual team scores

This past season almost all of the starters on the boy's basketball team were seniors. The juniors and the moving up JV team will have to carry the team alone next year. The boys have gotten very close to the seniors and they will miss them.

"I will miss them a lot because we were all like brothers. I'm pretty sad because they were a big part of our team, and it definitely won't be the same without them because they were a great group of seniors. We were all like a big family and they left us with many good memories," said Justin Nesbitt (11).

The seniors were a big help to the team, but as a result there will be almost no returning varsity players for next year. Although most reasons are sad and upsetting, there is some positive to it.

"There will be a new team identity, more playing time, and a new type of play," said Benjamin Sporman (11).

The boys won't only be missed for their basketball skills but also for their friendship.

"They taught me a lot whether it was about basketball or how to handle emotions. I had laughs and stories with all of them," Sporman said.

The seniors had a big influence on the team and it will not be the same without them.

"Our whole style of play will change, but our hard work and intensity will be there from them," Sporman said.

The bond between all the boys was very strong and they will all miss each other.

"I was friends with all the seniors so I'm going to miss them all. We had a good team and they were a big part of that. We had a lot of good times together," Sporman said.

jessica moore & brittany krsulovich

boys basketball



prepared **be** *aggressive* **be** *quick* **be** *committed* **be** *devoted* **be** *in the*



"My favorite part of the season was seeing Coach Mask-a-Vich's fresh New Balances and when Loai [Issa (11)] hid in the locker room during the junior varsity speech," *Leith Hobbs (11) said*

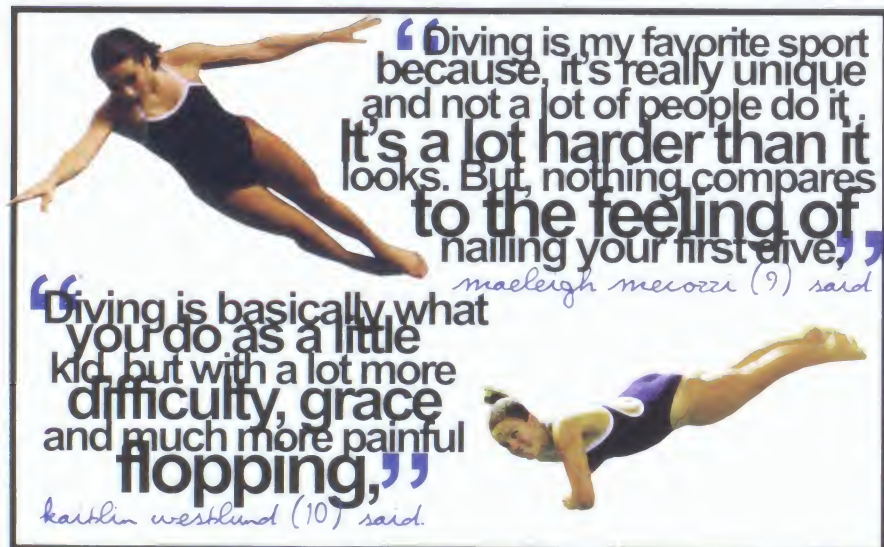
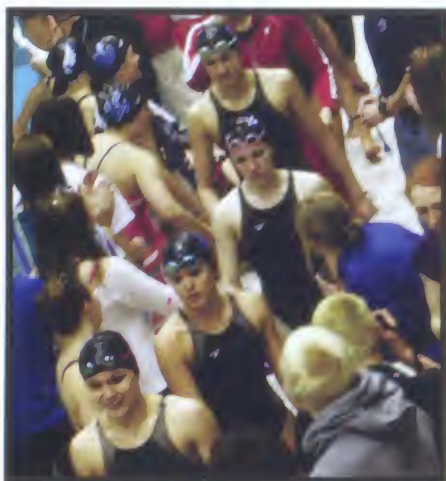


"My favorite part of the season was during practice and on the bus rides when me and 'Swoll Mammoth' a.k.a. David Samarjdia (12) were making funny noises and sounding like pirates," *Ayne Dempsey (12) said*



"My favorite part of the season was telling stories in the back of the bus with Loai [Issa (11)], Leith [Hobbs (11)], and Keith [Thompson (11)]. Also, watching Leith do the Shantel Dance before games. I'm going to miss all the seniors," *Justin Nesbitt (11) said*

- 1.** **be pumped:** The 200 yard freestyle relay team, Alexis Palkovich (11), Brittany Bencur (11), Megan Plenus (11), and Lesley Payonk (12), walk out to the deck at sectionals. They placed third in the finals.
- 2.** **be responsible:** Lesley Payonk (12) celebrates senior night with her teammates and coaches. Payonk was one of three seniors on the girls swimming team, along with Amy Troy (12) and Katie Gindl (12).
- 3.** **be determined:** Andrea Schmidt (11) competes in the 100 yard butterfly. She swam the event in a home meet against Laporte.
- 4.** **be ready:** Posed on the starting blocks, Shelby Carroll (9) gets ready to take off in the 100 yard backstroke. Carroll went to state to compete in this event; she was the only freshman to qualify for state.
- 5.** **be proud:** Celebrating after Brittany Bencur (11) finishes in the 200 medley relay, Amy Troy (12) gives her a high five. Bencur had a best time in her 50 yard leg of the race.
- 6.** **be encouraged:** Shelby Carroll (9), Alexis Palkovich (11), Brittany Bencur (11), Megan Plenus (11), Lesley Payonk (12), and diver Sara Kielbasinski (10) line up for a picture at the state competition. They made it to finals in the 400 free relay.



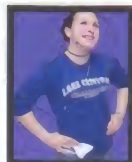
be swift be alert be tranquil be rapid be speedy be in the lead be



“My favorite part was when I got Coach [Claire] Kuelensmidt, [Social Studies], the ‘prettiest’ earrings ever, and she hasn’t worn them since. I wrapped the earrings in about five boxes.”
sally stepanian (10) said



“My favorite part [of the season] is the a.m. practices in lane two. We always had seven people in our lane when most had three or four. Also the lane had Jeff Tharp (11) in it, so it brought life to practice.”
samantha parak (11) said



“Considering this is my first year on varsity, I made a lot of friends, and they made me feel welcome. I met Ellie Payonk (9) for the first time and became great friends. Swimming is nothing without friends.”
camille boelenya (10) said

keep yourself *pumped*

6-3

see group photos for individual team scores

In order to be a champion you have to be prepared for whatever comes your way. To be prepared, you have to be completely focused on your goal. The girls on the varsity swim team get pumped up for their meets with music. Bus rides to away meets can be long and tedious. But with a little music and rockin' out with your friends, the trip could fly by.

"We would sit in the back of the bus and put my iPod on shuffle and sing any song we knew that would come up," Amy Troy (12) said.

The girls would pick any random song they liked and call it the 'song of the meet.'

"The first song that Brittany [Bencur (11)] deemed the song of the meet was 'You Can't Touch This' by MC Hammer," Troy said.

Most of the songs were upbeat songs, which got the girls' adrenaline running.

"I wanted to memorize the song 'We Didn't Start The Fire' by Billy Joel, but I only got about half memorized," said Bencur.

Some of the team just wanted to concentrate on the meet and get focused but Bencur, Troy and Megan Plenus (11) had their own way of concentrating.

"Most of the time everyone else on the team sat quietly on the bus, but me, Brit, and Megan would sing, and that got us pumped up and excited for the meet," Troy said.

There were so many songs that the girls could not remember to name. Some of them were even in different languages.

"I remember just jumping in and singing along in the Mickey song. We were all singing in Spanish, and it was crazy," Plenus said.

Many people use different methods of getting pumped or ready for a meet. But none of it matters as long as you do what you came there to do and have fun doing it.

rebeka kasper, brittany bencur & katie skura

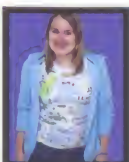
girls swimming



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"I liked when we got to practice with the boys. My favorite memory is lane six, which consisted of [Edward] Willis (10), Scout Demir (10), Sally Stepanian (10), and Camille Bobolonyi (10)."

abby stutenski (10) said



"I really enjoyed Christmas break practice this year. Even though it's usually the hardest time during the season, the whole team would usually go out for breakfast afterwards at Aspen Cafe."

scout demir (10) said



"My most favorite part of the season was dressing up for the boys sectionals. I dressed up as Marsha Brady, and I remember Alexis Palkovich (11) wearing a hot pink jumpsuit and an afro."

elissa payonk (9) said



"My most memorable moments would have to be making varsity after only two years in swimming, riding on Jeff Tharp's (11) gatorade boat, and making the sectional team," *jacob beecher (11) said*



"[The best part about swimming] is that it builds character. [The worst part would be] the early morning practices," *brian johnson (10) said*



"[My most memorable moment of the season was] when we played the 'add a piece of equipment game' and we put the hot tub in to the pool," *jeffery tharp (11) said*

be a freestyler be motivated be a winner be quick be strong be intense



make it a lifestyle

8-3

see group photos for individual team scores

way to pay for college," Christopher Johnson (12) said.

The boys swim team gave their best effort this season. The team enjoys all the time they get to spend together practicing and at the meets.

"I really enjoy all the close bonding time we get as a team," Matthew Schmidt (12) said.

Before each meet, the boys help pump each other up to make sure they are ready to do their best.

"At the beginning of a meet, I'm really psyched up, and I try to get everyone else psyched up too. At the end, it depends on how the team and myself personally did," Johnson said.

During their meets, not only are they competing with the opposing schools, but they are also competing with themselves to make their best time.

"[When I am swimming] I feel like no one can stop me, and I own the pool," Schmidt said.

The boys feel very accomplished when they do well in their meets.

"[My most memorable moment of the season was] when the sophomore relay, consisting of Steve Barajas (10), Brian Johnson (10), E.J. Willis (10), and me, broke the 400 free relay, which was there since the mid 1980s," Vladimir Beric (9) said.

Most of the season is filled with accomplishments and good memories, but the end of the season must have its downfalls.

"My least favorite part of swimming is all the seniors having to leave us," Gilberto Barajas (10) said.

The departing seniors wish the best of luck to the underclassmen who will take their place next year.

"To all the guys, I had a great time with all of you. I'll keep the memories forever. Good luck in everything and kick some. . . butt next year," Johnson said.

allie mender and arielle morris

boys swimming





"Being with the team [is the best part about swimming] because we have known each other for at least five years. For the most part, we are all good friends,"
teryn solan (10) said

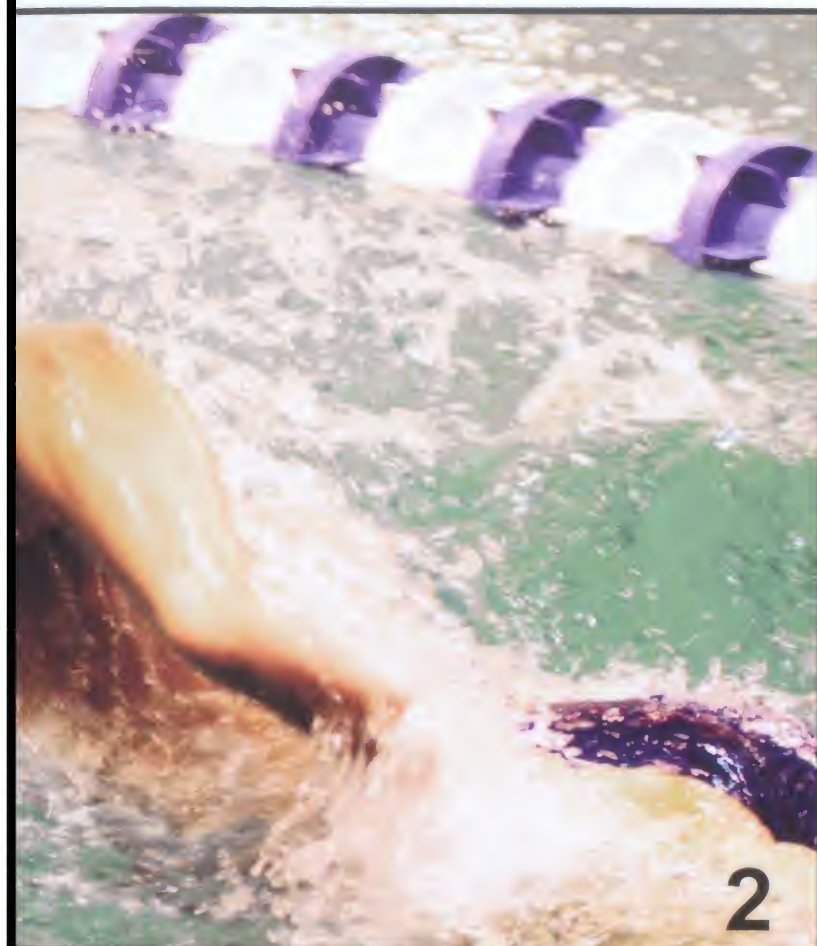


"Being with all the guys pretty much all winter is my favorite part because we really get to know each other. My best memories of the season are T'ping the girls for sectionals and every moment down at state,"
gilberto barajas (10) said



"I think it's really cool [to be a freshman on varsity] because, you know you are one of the fastest freshman swimmers in the school,"
joshua kilinski (9) said

e be a diver be energetic be dedicated be competitive be a state champion



1. be strong: Swimming breaststroke, Jacob Beecher (11) competes in a meet against Merrillville. "I loved competing in the meets, and it gets you in shape," Beecher said.

2. be competitive: David Scasny (12) swims in the home meet against LaPorte. Scasny was a senior on the team and went to state in Indianapolis as an alternate.

3. be unpredictable: Matthew Schmidt (12) and Edward Willis (10) celebrate their victory against Portage. "We had an on-deck dance-off. Matthew Schmidt has nothing on me," Willis said.

4. be quick: Michael Frick (11) comes up to take a breath at the meet against Portage. Frick placed 6th in the 500 freestyle at sectionals on February 21.

5. be reminiscent: After the last home meet of the season and senior night, Matthew Schmidt (12), Christopher Johnson (12), and David Scasny (12) look back at the season. "We were just sitting there reminiscing," Johnson said.



all about diving



"I just love the feeling of when you're at zero gravity in the air and then just ripping through the air. I stepped on the boards one day and never got off,"
michael machrowicz (10) said

"My favorite part about diving is that it is really competitive. My most memorable moment is when I qualified for regionals at the Crown Point sectionals,"
yan heida (10) said

"The best part of diving is doing a dive right. The worst part is hitting the board. The best moment of the season was getting my first 7 on a dive at DAC,"
devon shaughnessy (10) said





be a mat maid

"Being a mat maid requires love for the sport itself, not just the muscular boys. Wrestling has become my lifestyle, and I can't see myself without it,"
melanie handlon (12) said

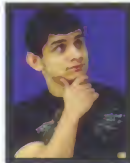


"To me, being a mat maid is more than just watching guys in singlets. I am a big fan of the sport. Saturday tournaments are my favorite because you get to see all the different competitions,"
isabella jurkiewicz (12) said

glorious be a winner be a wrestler be the best be spirited be a



"My favorite part of wrestling is the glory you get after winning a match because it lets you know that your hard work at practice has paid off,"
bryan smith (11) said



"Winning in the final 10 seconds and overtime in six of my matches this year. Plus improving from a 9-26 record this year. Getting Coach Escobedo to look down at his shirt and flicking his nose was fun too,"
jose perez (11) said



"My favorite part of wrestling was the challenge. Going into the year a lot of people didn't know who I was because I had been hurt, and one of my goals was to make sure people knew who I was,"
robert keough (12) said

the rise to the *top*

15-6

see group photos for individual team scores

The varsity line up spots were filled with underclassmen. Despite their young line-up, they were able to go far in their competitions.

There are many individuals that competed and contributed to the success of the wrestling team. One of these boys is Kyle Ayersman (9). Ayersman made it to state and took third with a record of 49-1.

"I really wanted to be a state champion this year but I lost in the semi-finals in triple overtime," Ayersman said.

The team also had six sectional champions and ten overall qualified for regionals. The six sectional champions consisted of Kyle Ayersman (9), Bryan Smith (11), Marc Escobedo (11), Bradley Wartman (10), Robert Keough (12), and Vlade Nacovski (11). Also, Dominic Cicchirillo (9), Jose Perez (11), Joseph Kalemba (12), and Patrick Biancardi (10). They qualified for regionals.

There were three regional champs, Ayersman, Escobedo, and Keough. Smith, Wartman, Nacovski, and Biancardi qualified for semi-state.

Keough's favorite memory was putting shaving creme on Ayersman's face while Ayersman was sleeping on the way home from the conference tournament, while Coach Michael Escobedo videotaped.

Ayersman said, "My favorite memory was beating the same kid six times throughout the course of this season."

Escobedo thought he had a good season, too. "I only had six losses in the season and was only one match away from state," Escobedo said.

As captain, Keough was a leader of the team. "The season was a lot of fun and I'm glad I got to be the captain of this team," Keough said.

kathy bastie & lindsey janiga

wrestling

1. be undefeated: During the sectional championship round, Kyle Ayersman (9) took on his Munster opponent. Ayersman defeated Munster's 103-pounder two times this season.

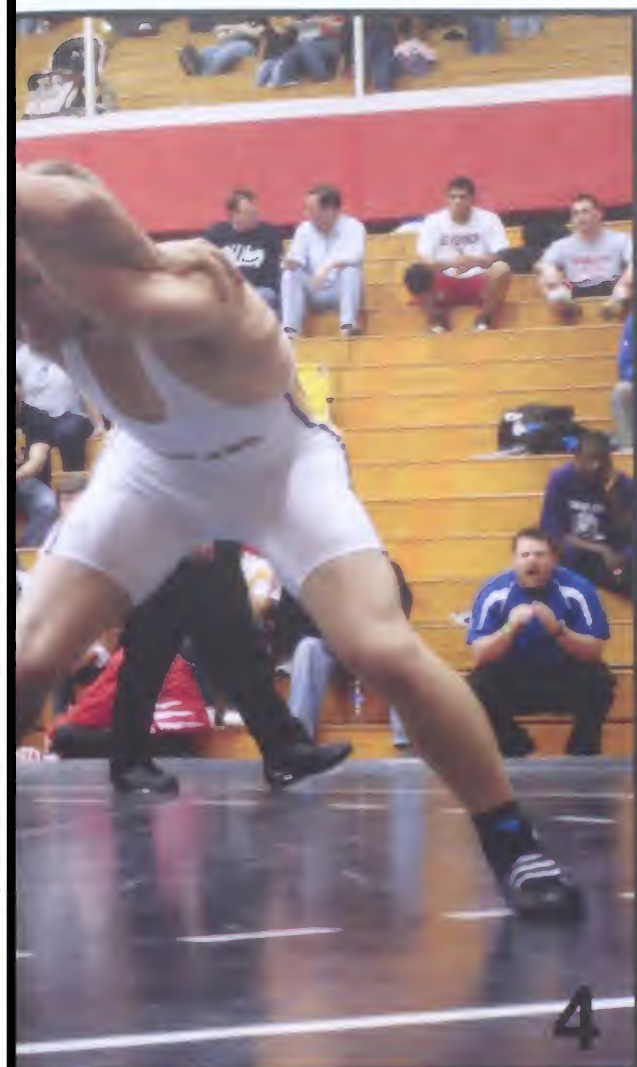
2. be ready: Marc Escobedo (11) chooses a down position in the second period of the championship round at 112 pounds. Escobedo received first place at sectionals.

3. be improved: In one of the early sectional rounds, Jose Perez (11) prepares himself for the final period of his match. Perez had greatly improved his record from last season, finishing with 23-20.

4. be victorious: In the sectional championship round, Robert Keough (12) circles with his long-time opponent from Highland. Beating Highland's 160-pounder for the third time this season, Keough claimed his sectional title.

5. be focused: At the beginning of the third period, Bryan Smith (11) chooses to start the period defensively. In the post-season, Smith finished as a semi-state qualifier.

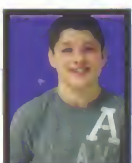
6. be prepared: Preparing to warm up before his match, Kyle Ayersman (9) ties his shoes for the first tournament of the post-season. Overall, Ayersman made it to state, where he placed third with one loss to his record.



essive **be** *close-knit* **be** *insane* **be** *champion* **be** *intense* **be** *undefeat*



"[My favorite part of wrestling is] dominating any opponent who steps on the mat. It gives me a feeling that is indescribable," *vlade nacovski (11) said*



"My favorite part of wrestling was being able to go down to state as a freshman. I was going there, but I lost, and I got third. Third is pretty good as a freshman. I learned a lot from the coaches," *kyle ayersman (9) said*



"My favorite part of wrestling for me is that I can eat as much as I want since I was a hundred pounds under weight. I also enjoy when we go out to restaurants when we go on away tournaments," *patrick biancardi (12) said*



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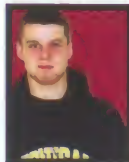


1. **be ready:** The varsity hockey players skate out onto the ice before their game against Munster. They won the game 6-4.
2. **be prepared:** Bernard Prisby (12) faces the opposing Munster player. They were waiting for the referee's signal to begin playing during a game at Midwest Training Center.
3. **be recognized:** Isaiah Nieves (12) poses with his parents on senior night, when the senior players were honored. The seniors also presented flowers to their parents.
4. **be accurate:** Matthew Philbin (12) shoots at a game against Munster. "Playing hockey is probably one of the best memories of my life," Philbin said.
5. **be triumphant:** The varsity hockey players celebrate after winning the Roper Cup. They won the cup after playing in the Illiana Playoffs.
6. **be determined:** Patrick Conneen (11) skates with the puck ahead of the opposing Munster players. Anthony Sorensen (10) and Joel Mance (11) followed closely.

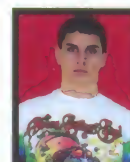
focused **be** *qualified* **be** *willing* **be** *intense* **be** *committed* **be** *positive*



"Hockey has been a big sport for me. I started playing when I was three. It's one of the best sports in the world, so why not?"
greggory gut (11) said



"I will miss hitting the most, and playing with all my friends. I have a lot of friends on the team,"
richard sorensen (12) said



"This season, winning the Roper Cup was my favorite memory. It was a pretty big deal, but we wished we could have won state with it."
patrick conneen (11) said

skating to *state*

9-6-3

see group photos for individual team scores

The varsity hockey team had a successful season, which culminated in competing at state.

Before the state championship, they had an exciting experience with winning the Roper Cup. To win the cup, they had to play against Crown Point, Portage, and Munster.

"I felt like we actually accomplished something as a team, and it felt pretty good," Stephen Borkowski (11) said.

The team worked hard throughout the season to be able to achieve winning the cup.

"I felt relief because all of our team's hard work paid off, and I also felt really good," Ian McCambridge (11) said.

In order to go to the state championship, the team had to be invited.

"We got the invitation for being one of the top teams in the state and having a somewhat decent reputation," Borkowski said.

They went to state in Fishers, Ind. and competed against several teams, including their top rival at the championship, Cathedral Chatard.

"We played well [at state], we just came up short on goals," Steven Galka (11) said.

Although they played well, penalties hurt the team.

"Well, from what I hear, the penalties killed us," Zachary Cain (12) said.

The team didn't end up making the finals at state but they were still happy with their performance.

"We could have done better, but we all came together as a team when it mattered. Hopefully, we get another chance next year," Borkowski said.

rebecca kimberly & colleen muelmurry

hockey

be family

The hockey team has three sets of brothers on it: Ian McCambridge (11) and Cameron McCambridge (9), Richard Sorensen (12) and Anthony Sorensen (10), and Alexander Kazmierczak (12) and Alden Kazmierczak (10).

The Kazmierczak brothers seem to enjoy being on the team together. "It's awesome. We like the same things.

This is my first year playing hockey, and his third," Alexander Kazmierczak said. The brothers take advantage of their similar interests. "It's fun because we're actually doing something during our high school career together. We practice together," Alden Kazmierczak said.



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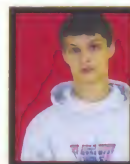
"I like playing hockey. It's fun. The people on the team make it more fun. My favorite memory from the season was getting my head shaved for state."

cameron mcambridge (9)



"I like playing hockey for LC. I like being with the people. We've got a wide variety of people on the team."

andrew gard (12) said



"My favorite memory from this season was scoring the game-winning goal at Noblesville. The score was 3-1."

anthony sorensen (10) said

pinning down the *title*

16-0

see group photos for individual team scores

I'm proud to say I'm a two-time champion. Not many high school bowlers can say that," Leanne Witulski (12) said.

"I wasn't nervous at all during qualifying. I felt like it was just a regular couple games of bowling. I was relieved when the team qualified first, so we had time for our bodies to relax. The last couple shots during the championship game were a little nerve-wracking because all the people behind you are yelling and screaming. The best part was shooting 1292 in one game for five bowlers. It's the highest in the state for women and tied for fifth in the nation. It was an amazing feeling. We were very surprised and proud of ourselves.

"This season was better than last season in more ways than one. We really worked hard, and we were better prepared mentally. Last year, we missed state by three pins, and we did not want that to happen again," Witulski said.

I don't think the school recognized it [winning state] enough. Many people from the school were very supportive though," Witulski said.

"Most people don't know that bowling really is a sport, and that it's more than just a recreational sport. Also, everyone thinks that at our practices, we just bowl games and throw the ball. Well they don't know that we do certain kinds of drills and different techniques that help us with our game, and trust me, we sweat from working so hard," Kaitlyn Galka (11) said.

morgan goldsmith emily levin & nina dimaggio

girls bowling

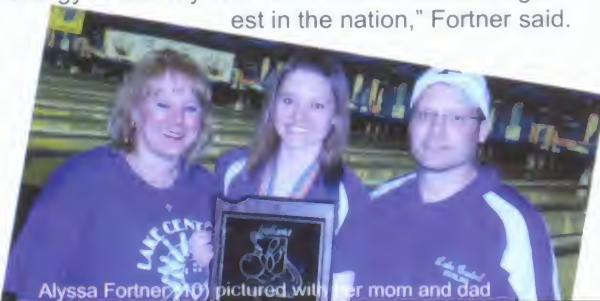


alyssa fortner

setting her personal record

as a sophomore on the girls bowling team, fortner bowled her first 300 at state

"Being at state and bowling a 300 was better than being at a normal game. It was better because it helped the team out more and there was more energy. It was my first 300. I scored the fifth highest in the nation," Fortner said.



Alyssa Fortner (10) pictured with her mom and dad

3

be accurate be focused be competitive be daring be powerful be strong



"Since we didn't make it last year [to state], the team focused and worked really hard to make it this year. Every year our main goal is to make it there,"

kaitlyn galka (11) said



"Our team was more serious and focused to go to state rather than excited, which really helped us achieve our goal. The outcome of last season, missing by three pins, was a big motivation,"

kelli marx (11) said



"Not only did we win at state, but we also made history because we had the women's highest team game in the state and the fifth highest in the country,"

katre sexton (11) said

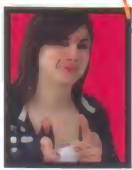


- 1. be balanced:** Mariah Dowdy (12) swings her leg and bends her knee to maintain balance when she bowls. The girls team bowled twice a week for two hours at Stardust Bowl III in Dyer.
- 2. be champions:** The team stops to take a picture after capturing the Regional Title. The girls beat three other teams in the top four Roll Off at Suburban Lanes in Michigan City.
- 3. be concentrated:** Hannah Nava (10) gets set before throwing the ball. Before letting the ball go, her key was to take a deep breath and focus on a mark, which are arrows on the lane.
- 4. be in the zone:** Samantha Matusik (9) concentrates after throwing her ball down the lane at Stardust Bowl III. Matusik followed through so the ball hooks or curves more to get more pin action.

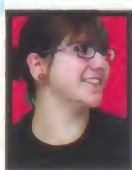


“We have made so many friends from all over, since the team made it so far in competition. They are people we will be friends with for a long time.”
alexandra quilici (11) said

be definite be challenged be hopeful be mentally ready be state bowler



“Going to state was great because we were with all of the best teams. It took a lot of mental preparation because we had to be accurate and not nervous.”
leanne wutulski (12) said



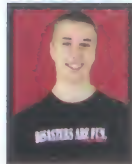
“It was fun to go to state and challenging because all the teams were really good so we had to try and be better than everyone.”
ashleigh wladyska (10) said



“We were ready mentally and physically [for state] and our dedication was there throughout the whole season.”
samantha matusik (9) said



"Overall, we had a great year. We finished strong, but I wish we could have won state since it was my senior year," *thomas schmied (12) said*



"I had a good year, but I wish I would have had more consistency throughout the season. We could have finished a little stronger, but we didn't," *nathan huizenga (10) said*



"I wish I could have bowled better and done better in school so I could have given my team a better chance during the season," *zachary maciejewski (11) said*

be the anchor man be the leadoff be focused be ready to win be can

more than meets the eye

3-7

see group photos for individual team scores

When most students think about bowling, they think of crazy shoes, nacho cheese fries and fun times at the alley with friends on the weekend. For a small, select group of students, they think of hard work.

Averaging 200+ scores and going

all the way to regionals, these students are the bowling team.

Though the bowling team doesn't get the same level of attention some of the other teams do, the team did really well this season.

"Our team finished second in the conference, and we won Sectionals," Nathan Huizenga (10) said. "We came in fifth at regionals."

Not only did the team as a whole do well throughout the season and in the postseason, but the individual team members did just as well.

"I had a pretty good year," Thomas Schmied (12) said.

"I carried a 214 average throughout most of the year."

Huizenga was also a productive member of the team.

"It was an up and down year, but I ended up with a 200 average," Huizenga said.

No matter how the individuals did, the team made sure to get ready together.

"Before meets, our team usually just hangs out in a group to loosen up," Schmied said.

Without some of the publicity other sports get, there are some misconceptions about what it takes to be good at it.

"I wish more people knew that [bowling] takes more skill than they think," Zachary Maciejewski (11) said.

Both Schmied and Huizenga agreed with Maciejewski.

"[Bowling] is a lot harder and more intense than most people think it is," Schmied said.

Huizenga said, "People should know how much practice and effort it takes to be good [at bowling]."

emily hogg & stephanie slevnik

boys bowling



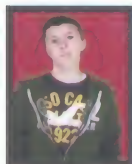
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"As a team we finished strong, but I really think that we should have made it to state," *brett wagner (12) said*



"It's fun because you meet people from different schools. The team got to go around all of Northwest Indiana," *bradley fisher (9) said*



"It was a fun year, since we actually won some trophies this year, and I can't wait to do it again next year," *kevin rush (11) said*

ful be *addressed* be *silent* be *accurate* be *straightened* be *on target*



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before we go...

seniors' last words



"Bowl well and make sure you make it to state next year," *brett wagner (12) said*

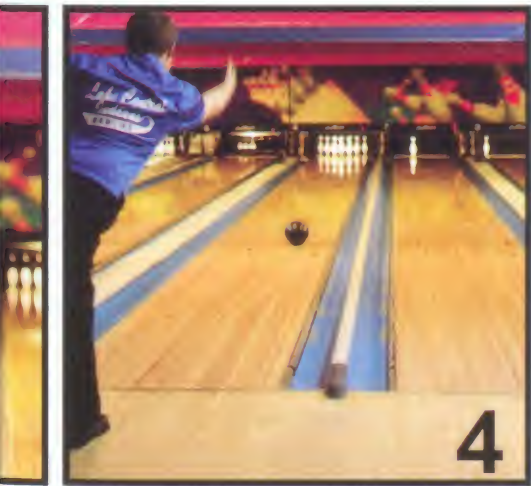


"Make sure you guys practice hard so you'll do well," *thomas schmied (12) said*



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"It was kind of tough being the only sophomore on the team because I had to fight for a starting spot,"
nathan huizenga (10) said.



4

1. **be hopeful:** Kevin Rush (11) hopes for a strike as his bowling ball rolls down the lane. His teammates cheered him on at regionals.
2. **be in conference:** Bradley Fisher (9) rolls the ball during a meet. The team, as a whole, placed second in the conference.
3. **be glad:** Kevin Rush (11) waits to see the outcome of his throw. It ended up being another great frame for the team.
4. **be important:** Brett Wagner (12) follows through as he throws his bowling ball down the lane at the regional meet. It was an important for the boys to follow through after throwing the ball.
5. **be focused:** Zachary Maciejewski (11) watches the effect his throw had on the pins. Though he didn't bowl during the regular season, he bowled post-season.

one on one with..

What are some responsibilities of being one of the four captains?

"The most important responsibility of being a captain is leadership. We have to set an example, not just through talking and showing leadership, but also in our dancing. It's expected from us to give 110% every time."



kaitlyn dougherty (12)

work hard, grow *together*

12-1

see group photos for individual team scores

captains, they make the extra step to create a flawless team.

"I put in probably more time than I should, as do the rest of the captains. We're the ones that always get stuck at the studio after practice doing random things our coach needs us to do," Kaitlyn Toczek (12) said.

At the studio, during practice, the Varsity Centralettes perfect a number of different dancing styles. Every girl has their own opinion on what style is best.

"I would say my favorite is contemporary jazz. You can really express yourself and show what you have, skill-wise, in jazz," Courtney Severin (11) said.

All of the practice and dedication the girls put into their team shows the minute they begin to dance on stage. The team won both hip hop and jazz at state, along with their large and small ensembles as well. Winning state makes it the 15th win in a row.

"State was amazing. It was such a great way for the team to end the season, and it was a great way for me to graduate. I couldn't have been happier with the results," Toczek said.

It took the persistence of the whole team to achieve the awards they received. These girls know they have to work and communicate well with each other.

"The thing I like most about being a Centralette is the close bond the whole team has," Crista Pyrz (10) said.

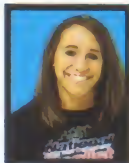
emily demario & lani castaneda

From the two to three hour practices every day after school, the scheduled classes once a week, to the eight hour a day summer camps, the Varsity Centralettes put their time and effort into making everything as perfect as possible. As for the

centralettes



e flexible *be* upbeat *be* fearless *be* joyful *be* bold *be* hopeful *be* energy



"Camp [for me] is always a memorable experience because all of the girls bond. We have so much fun just doing what we love and seeing the families in the crowd cheering us on during competitions."

anastasia amadoris (10)

said



"When it comes to the music, I love hip-hop because it's upbeat and fun; but with jazz, you can put a lot of emotion into it. I plan on continuing to dance for a while considering I've been dancing since age three."

kellie outler (11) said



"I've been dancing for 14 years. I loved watching ice skating when I was little. I went to sign up for classes, but was too young, so I signed up for ballet instead. I am doing what I love, dancing."

miranda peterson (10) said



- 1.** **be involved:** Amanda Welch (12) stands with her parents on senior night after a Lake Central Competition. The Centralette seniors talked about what they were going to do in their future.
- 2.** **be ecstatic:** The Varsity Centralettes stand together for a picture after winning prelims at nationals. The varsity team then bypassed semi-finals and advanced straight to finals.
- 3.** **be spontaneous:** During their first competition, the Centralettes strike a pose before their hip-hop dance. This competition took place at Kings Island in Cincinnati, Ohio.
- 4.** **be influential:** Captains Kaitlynn Dougherty (12), Kaitlyn Toczek (12), Amanda Welch (12), and Brianne Gargas (12) pose for a picture. The girls had just won state and celebrated by showing off their trophies.
- 5.** **be in motion:** Suzanne Foreman (11), Anastasia Amanatidis (10), Kaitlyn Toczek (12), and Crista Pyrz (10) perform their hip-hop dance. This was the Lake Central Dance Invitational in which the girls do not compete.
- 6.** **be emotional:** Brianne Gargas (12) hugs Tiffany Marquiss (10) on the Centralettes senior night. Marquiss was handing Gargas her awards and congratulating her.

etic **be positive** **be proud** **be driven** **be a state champ** **be goal ori**



"This is my first year doing hip-hop for Centralettes, and it's my favorite out of the three [jazz, poms, hip-hop]. In seventh grade, I was on Grimmer's dance team, and Danzforce and Centralettes in high school,"
alyssa kovach (10) said



"The competitions are the best part of being a Centralette, and it always feels good to win. The funnest thing is having my best friend Kellie on the team and spending time with her,"
mary genovese (11) said



"I have been dancing for about four or five years. Someone broke my thumb when I used to play soccer and my teeth got knocked out when I was on softball. So dance was my next interest,"
crista pyrz (10) said



"I love vault and floor. I have a lot of power and I'm not the most graceful person so I've loved vault since I started. Hopefully next year, I'll finally get the skill I've always wanted," *erin zlotkowski (11) said*



"My favorite part of practice and meets was that everyone was there to support each other. My teammates have taught me the most, and they have always helped me with everything," *allison cox (9) said*



"The best part of all three years was having a home meet. A lot of people who wouldn't have seen me compete otherwise were able to come and support me," *rebecca schymanski (12) said*

be flexible be strong be balanced be tough be tight be moving be

first senior night

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see group photos for individual team scores

Flowers, balloons, gifts and parents were all a part of the gymnastics team's first home meet. Not only was this the first home meet, it was their very first senior night.

"Senior night was amazing.

It was kind of sad, though, because it really kicked in that I'm a senior and this is the end. To get flowers and gifts from the younger teammates was so sweet," Magdalene Huff (12) said.

The three seniors Lauren Ross (12), Rebecca Schymanski (12) and Huff met their parents in the middle of the floor for the first time. They were recognized for all their high school accomplishments as students and athletes. For most teams, a senior night is nothing out of the ordinary, but not for these girls.

"I'll miss everything about gymnastics. The team, the adrenaline, the satisfaction of succeeding. Definitely that it kept me in shape," Ross said.

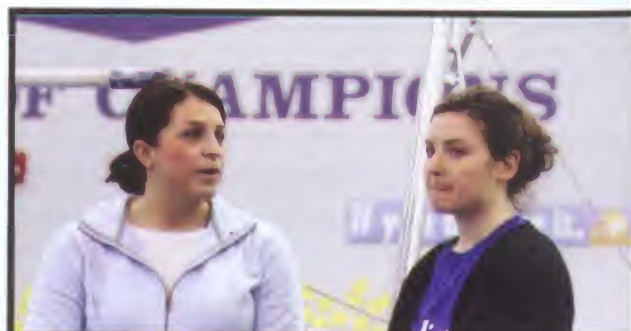
In all three years, this was the first meet the girls didn't have to take a bus to. The meet was held at Midwest Training Center. The girls won the dual meet against Lowell.

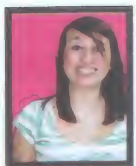
"It was nice not having to take the bus and having all of our family and friends there to support us. Knowing the equipment and being used to practicing on it, I was really upset I couldn't compete because of my hurt ankle. I am so proud of the rest of the team for doing so well and coming out with a win. All the freshmen did amazing along with our first senior night ever. We were all proud of everyone and so happy that we were all able to compete at home," Erin Zlotkowski (11) said.

The underclassmen look forward to next year and hope for more home meets during next year's season.

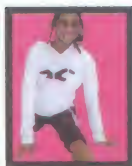
stephanie costa and stephanie tarrant

gymnastics

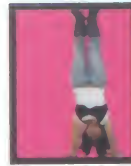




"I'm going to compete next year and I have been looking forward to seeing who will be on the team next year. I will definitely miss the seniors from this year,"
angelica botts (9) said



"My favorite part about gymnastics is being with the team because we are all so close. My least favorite is practicing for so long, being tired and sore,"
selina bronson (11) said

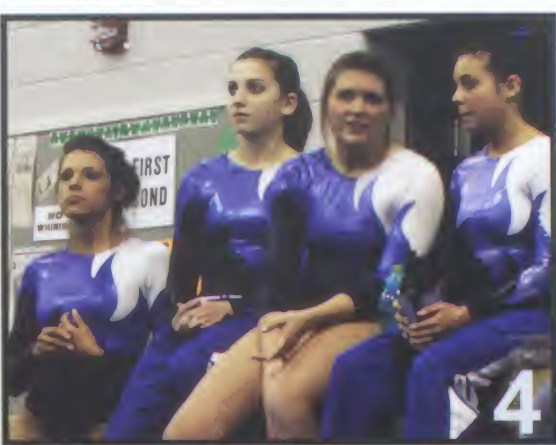


"I really liked having new people on the team. We all became close with the freshmen, and it was fun to be a leader for all of them. I'm going to miss them because we became pretty close,"
magdalene huff (12) said

able **be** *supportive* **be** *aware* **be** *confident* **be** *acrobatic* **be** *on the*



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favorite

gymnastics events

magdalene huff (12)

"Bars is probably my favorite event. It's really challenging but that's what I like about it, I really improved since my sophomore year, and I loved competing them. It's a great feeling when you finished the routine and being like
wow, i did it.
 Magdalene Huff (12) said.



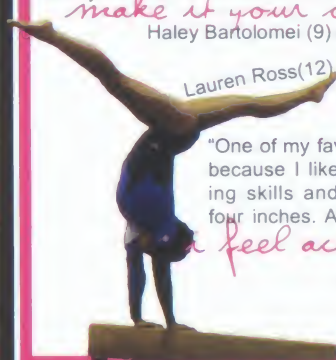
haley bartolomei (9)

"My favorite event is floor because you can personalize your floor routine and
make it your own.
 Haley Bartolomei (9) said.



Lauren Ross (12)

"One of my favorite events is beam because I like the feeling of sticking skills and flips on a width of four inches. After I stick a routine,
i feel accomplished.
 Lauren Ross (12) said.



1.

be excited: Minutes before the first ever home meet, Magdalene Huff (12), Rebecca Schymanski (12) and Laruen Ross (12) talk about the meet. The team later won against Lowell.

2.

be supportive: Waiting to salute the judge, Lauren Ross (12) hugs assistant Coach Jorie Stahl. This was Ross's last dual meet due to a shoulder injury.

3.

be attentive: Haley Bartolomei (9) and Angelica Botts (9) talk to Coach Myra Lolkema, English, and assisant Coach Jorie Stahl before competing bars at the Merrillville dual meet. The girls competed their first dual meet that night.

4.

be aware: Varsity gymnasts watch their competition after competing on the beam apparatus. With a small team, they finished their event before Merrillville.

5.

be warmed up: Erin Zlotkowski (11) and Celina Bronson (11) warm up on bars. With a sprained ankle, Zlotkowski couldn't compete.

6.

be pumped: Before every meet, the whole team does their 'Pump It' cheer. Doing the chant helped the team get excited for the meet.



"The most exciting thing about cheerleading this year was that I accomplished my goal since freshman year to get my full,"
alicia moroz (11) said



"My favorite memories are the first time I doubled from a full and the bus rides on the way to competitions and games,"
ashley scott (10) said



"It was the best senior year I could ask for. There was no drama, and I'm never going to forget the bus rides and fun times we had with each other, especially 'baby shark,'"
alysa kowaleski (12) said

be alert be energetic be competitive be perky be loud be cheerful be proud



1. **be enthusiastic:** The cheerleaders walk on to the court during a home basketball game. The girls performed their stunts and cheers during half time.
2. **be focused :** At a home game, the bases got into position to perform their stunt. Their performance required the flyers to balance on one leg in the air.
3. **be decisive:** At basketball sectionals, the cheerleaders line up along the sidelines. They talked to each other and decided which cheer to do next.
4. **be loud:** The cheerleaders pump up the crowd and the superfans on the Indians' court. During the middle of the chant, they prepared to do a toe-touch.
5. **be flexible:** Meghan Janich (9) does a scale at the Hammond Civic Center. The girls traveled to Hammond to cheer the basketball team to victory.
6. **be confident:** The girls end their half time performance posing before the crowd. The cheerleaders learned various chants to keep everyone excited for the game.



"Usually I back spot, and for the last competition I got to fly. I'm going to miss my flyer Ashley Carstensen (11)."
Lisa Wanta (12) said

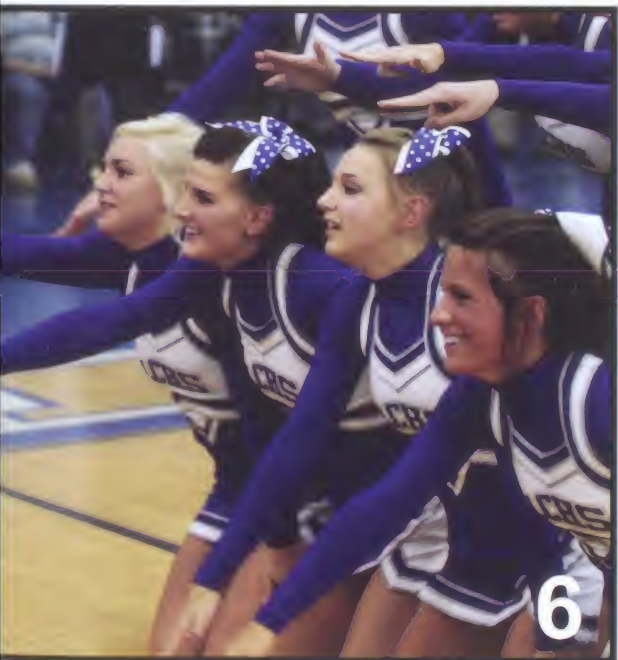


"It was the last time flying on my senior stunt group since freshman year. I'm going to miss all of them, and I don't know what I'm going to do next year without them."
Ashley Carstensen (11) said



"Being the only freshman [on varsity] made me scared, but we all became really close and, I'm going to miss this team."
Meghan Jarich (9) said

be confident be strong be positive be ambitious be pumped



showing your stuff

7-2

see group photos for individual team scores

While football and basketball games are important to displaying school spirit, competitions give the cheerleaders a chance to show off their skill and compete with other teams.

Traveling to the United Center for the Bulls competition gave the cheerleaders a different atmosphere to show off their spirit and hard work.

"We practiced a lot and got each other pumped for the competition," Hayley Butcher (12) said.

The girls competed in the medium varsity division against another team from Illinois. The top two teams to score the highest during the competition got to perform that night before the game, and the cheerleaders were named the top cheer team of the day.

"This competition was probably the one I got most excited about because it was my favorite. It was a really fun competition," Jessica Hearne (12) said.

Performing in front of large audiences is something the cheerleaders are quite familiar with, but participating in a competition held at the Bull's stadium gave them a new opportunity to show their talent to a much bigger audience.

"It was a lot of fun performing at the game. We were really nervous because we never performed our competition routine on the gym floor, but once we got out there, everything was okay, and we had a lot of fun," Alyssa Kowaleski (12) said.

Whether it be at half time at a game or at the Bull's competition, the girls showed how hard work and dedication can pay off.

"We had a good season. Varsity's routine was tough. Competitively, our finishes were not as high as we had hoped, but we gave our best," Coach Joan Loden, mathematics, said.

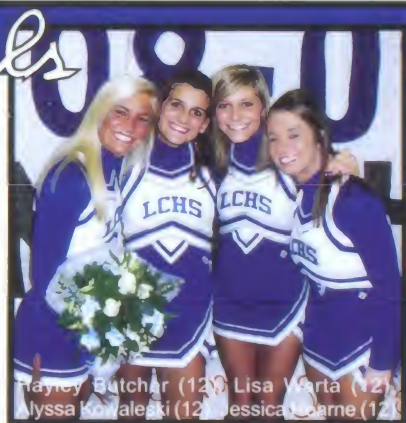
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cheerleading

role models

"I look up to the seniors because they help us out with everything and make us work hard,"
Megan Scruggs (10) said

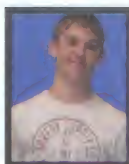
"I admire how hard they work and that no matter what, they always know what to do. People don't listen to them, but in the end, everything they've taught us has helped us out,"
Elena Navarro (9) said



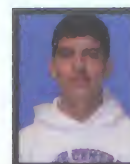
Hayley Butcher (12), Lisa Wanta (12), Alyssa Kowaleski (12), Jessica Hearne (12)



"I think [the team] improved because the team that we lost to, we ended up beating at the end of the year,"
taylor lehnert (9) said

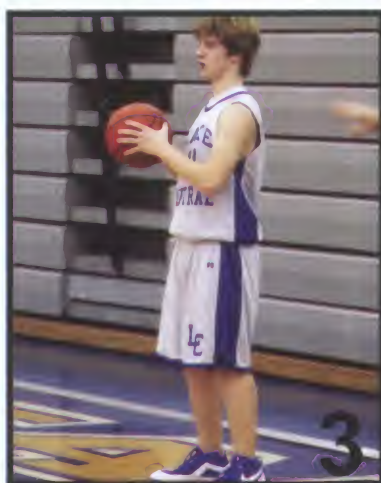


"My favorite part of the year was beating Munster in the Highland Tournament,"
james minamara (9) said



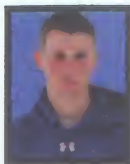
"The team improved because at the beginning of the season, we didn't play as a team. Then, we worked together and went on a 12 game winning streak,"
ryan pachowicz (9) said

be focused be fast be determined be supportive be loud be new be



- 1.** **be excited:** Katie Gindl (12) swims the breaststroke during a swim meet against Chesterton. Chesterton was a competitive meet for the girls.
- 2.** **be pumped:** Hailee Babusiak (10) dribbles the basketball during a JV girls game. This Babusiak's second year on the team, and she has played basketball for seven years.
- 3.** **be hyped:** Marcus Rosselli (9) prepares to inbound the ball during a freshmen basketball game. The boys tied for first in the conference along with Valparaiso.
- 4.** **be determined:** The JV girls basketball team practices free throws before a game. Shooting free throws was part of their warm-up routine.
- 5.** **be persistent:** Megan Anderson (10) dances during the JV Centralite's hip hop dance routine. The JV team won first in nationals.
- 6.** **be developed:** Joshua Kilinski (9) swims the freestyle during a swim meet. Kilinski was also able to earn his first varsity letter.





"My favorite part of the season was the bus rides to all the games,"

Kyle Dickelman (10) said



"My favorite part of the year was after losing our first game to Munster, coming back and beating them in the Highland tournament,"

Marcus Rosselli (9) said



"The JV team was really good this year, and all the teammates had a really good connection with each other. We improved a lot throughout the season,"

Michael Robinson (11) said

champions be involved be pumped be hopeful be athletic be in the

the road to champions

JV

Sports are all about competition. Whether it's competing in basketball, swimming or dancing, the JV Centralette team stuck out in the winter sports line-up.

The junior varsity team staked their claim as the best junior varsity team in the country with their win at the UDA National Competition in Florida.

"Winning nationals was indescribable. It was a great accomplishment and something you can't understand unless you were there," Crysta Crothers (10) said.

Winning a national competition is a rare opportunity, and the girls had a hard time describing how it felt to achieve that rank.

"The feeling [of winning nationals] was unimaginable. To be called number one in the nation is indescribable," Catrina Penna (10) said.

One thing is for sure. These girls looked up for the help and leadership of some Varsity Centralettes.

"I look up to Katie Toczek (12). She inspires me to try harder so I can become as good as her," Gianna Davis (10) said.

Leadership is one of the most important parts of a winning team. Along with leadership, practice is also important.

"We practice five days a week, working as hard as we can, pushing everyone to her limit," Jaimie Davis (10) said.

To these girls, Centralettes is a love-hate relationship. The practices are long, hard, and grueling. But the relationships that are made are worth every second of it.

"This year was a lot of fun. The girls on this team are like my sisters and best friends. We know everything about each other. We all became really close, and I really liked every moment of this year," Crothers said.

Chris Einterz

JV winter



first year on junior varsity



"Playing against the varsity team in practice has given me a lot of experience of being under pressure. I also

liked it when Keith Tompson (11) missed two dunks and when Eric [Summers (12)] threw one down," Austin Wagoner (9) said

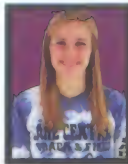


"I played with better competition. My favorite parts of the year had to be throwing the 'oop' to

Kurt Kurdreki (11) and hitting the buzzer beater on EC. I also liked hitting 26 [points] on West Side," Glenn Robinson (9) said



"What I like about track is staying in shape, and being around people who desire the same sport. My biggest personal achievement was clearing 5' in high jump," *isis thomas (10) said*

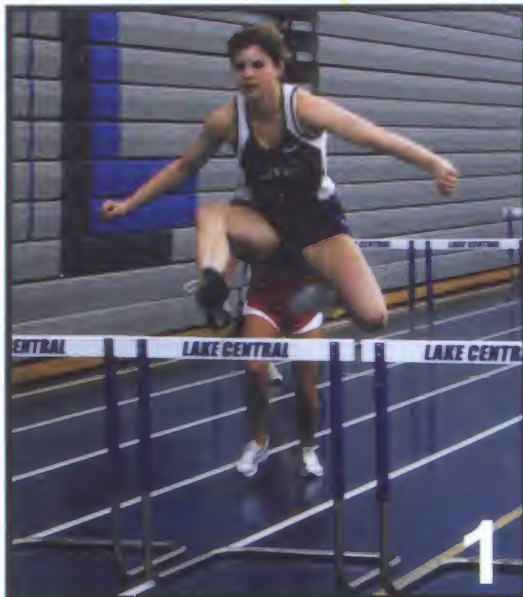


"Pole vaulting is my one and only passion. I love the fact that I do something I love with the people I love. We have a really close team. Some of the meets were close, but we cheered everyone on and won," *alyssa markiewicz (11) said*



"Some of the best moments this year were in the weight room lifting and warming up for practice. I'll never forget when Bridget Swope (10) would face plant into the track after attempting to hurdle," *mary kathleen swope (12) said*

be focused be swift be quick be speedy be a runner be competitive



track team rituals



Alana Eatinger (10), Shannen Renyolds (11), Madelyn Jerome (12), and Megan Plenus (11)

"Shannen Renyolds (11), Madelyn Jerome (12), Megan Plenus (11), and I all have tie-dyed socks that come up to the middle of our calves that we usually wear during our 4x400m relay. It's just a fun way to have some fun and take the pressure off of us,"

alana eatinger (10) said





"The thing that made this year special for me and my team is that we reached new heights that I did not expect to reach. My biggest personal achievement of the season is when I beat the freshman high jump record," *Levisa Evans (9) said*



"This year is so much different than middle school track. In high school everyone on the team is like family, we really push each other to do our best and achieve our goals," *Jane Gates (9) said*



"This year was a little different than my previous two years because we had a different coach. Although it was different, I really enjoyed it, and I'm looking forward to next year," *Melanie Bates (11) said*

be a team be a hurdler be a sprinter be a thrower be a jumper

starting off together

7-0

see group photos for individual team scores

Throughout a short season, the team spends a lot of time together. Spending moments with each other through practices, meets, and pasta parties, the team shares lots of memories.

Some of the most memorable experiences of the season happened on a trip to Kenosha, Wisconsin.

"The best moment from this year was staying up late at the hotel in Kenosha and going in the pool and the hot tub," Shannen Reynolds (11) said.

While they were there the girls had fun, shopping at the outlet malls.

"We stayed up all night laughing and horsing around. It was a great team bonding experience," Kelsey Giordano (11) said.

The trip wasn't all fun for the girls. They had to get serious for the real reason they were there. The girls track team was there for a meet at Carthage College.

"The best part of track is the feeling right after you finish running and you realize you ran your hardest. You're gasping for breath and yet you still feel fantastic," Reynolds said.

The girls felt this feeling after most of their races, and the feeling was even better when they won.

"I was on the 4x200 meter relay. It was really exciting because it was a close race, but we got second overall," Kristina Hemmerling (11) said.

The races were close, but the team is also close to help each other make it to the finish line.

"I love all the girls on the team and being able to cheer them on," Giordano said.

Out of the 30 teams that were there to compete the girls came out on top, winning the meet.

Michelle Sweeney and Christy Conrad

girls track



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1. **be a hurdler:** Kelsey Giordano (11) jumps over a hurdle at an indoor track meet in March. Giordano runs the 300m hurdles, 100m dash, and 4x100m relay.
2. **be close:** Amanda Gnerlich (12) competes against a Valporaiso hurdler in a close race for the win. Gnerlich runs in the 300m and 100m hurdles.
3. **be aggressive:** Dana Payonk (11), Rachel Zajac (12), and Megan Dunn (11) compete against each other in the 3200m run. At an indoor meet the 3200m run is over 23 laps.
4. **be ready:** Shelby Carroll (9), Anna Kacius (10), Kailey Jensen (12), and Jane Gates (9) stand ready to start the 800m run. The 800m was the most competitive race for distance.
5. **be waiting:** Katelin Smierciak (10) waits for the baton pass off from Madelyn Jerome (12) in the 4x400 m relay. It was important to have a good pass off in order to win the race.
6. **be close:** Dana Payonk (11) is running in a race against Chesterton High School. Payonk has been on the varsity girls track team since her freshman year.

a relay *without a baton*

10-0

see group photos for individual team scores

"I was the first leg [of the relay] so it was my job to get the baton," Miljevic said. "Usually someone gives it to me so I did not think twice about getting it myself."

Miljevic lined up ready to go and started running without even thinking about having the baton. He was concentrating on running the race.

"I was in first place and did not even realize I was missing the baton. Then I was passed by the Merrillville runner who seemed to be carrying something that I was not."

When it came time to exchange the baton, Miljevic gave Erik Bisson (11) a high five instead and told him to keep running.

"I was ready to grab the baton from Miljevic when I see him running up looking around, that's when I noticed there was no baton. We high fived, and I was on my way. We ended up getting disqualified," Bisson said.

The high fives instead of baton exchanging looked realistic enough to let the first two legs of the relay run. After Bisson tried to pass the imaginary baton to the third runner, Andrew Siegle (12), the officials recognized the infraction and disqualified the relay team.

"At first Coach [Rudy] Skorupa was mad but he laughs about it now," Miljevic said.

"We should've known better than to trust a soccer player as the lead off relay guy," assistant coach Mr. Jeff Rhody said jokingly.

"It was my first year in track, so I do not think about the little things like the baton," Miljevic explained.

jessica moore brittany krsulovich and katie skura

boys track



be prepared be *fast* be strong be *agile* be *energetic* be *athletic* be *quick*



"The distance team 'is' the track team because we score half of our points with only three events. The keys to our success are: short shorts, our heartless coach, being all around awesome together. Our team's like a family,"

erik bisson (11) said



"Track was fun this year. Competing with your friends while staying in shape is a good way to play for this sport,"

nicholas hartog (11) said



"Beginning my first year of high school track is fun because I get to be with friends and stay in shape for football. I haven't ran track since 8th grade, but it is a fun experience still,"

david rougher (11) said



1. **be helpful:** The pole vaulters watch as they wait for their turn to practice before their meet. The pole vaulters helped carry their team to another successful season.
2. **be flexible:** Adam Karcz (11) jumps over the hurdle during the Valparaiso meet on April 21. Karcz set a hurdle record this track season while competing during his third season on the team.
3. **be fast:** Runners on the boys track team run during warm ups at a practice. The boys could always be seen, not only running around the track, but also making laps around the building.
4. **be ready:** Jeffery Trembacki (11) takes a moment to prepare for his relay. Trembacki got in the zone by focusing on running fast and being the first to pass the baton to his team mate.
5. **be stretched:** Track members gather in a circle and stretch before practice. The boys of the track team went undefeated this season.
6. **be elevated:** Andrew Siegle (12) is doing a pole vault drill during practice before a meet. Siegle ran hurdles and pole vaulted his senior season for the track team.

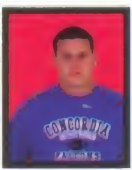
team records of the season

Jonathan Hurley (12)	<div style="background-color: red; color: white; padding: 5px; display: inline-block;">52.3</div>
<i>400 meter dash</i>	
Ryan Frick (10)	<div style="background-color: red; color: white; padding: 5px; display: inline-block;">39'0"</div>
<i>shot put</i>	
Jake Markiewicz (10)	<div style="background-color: red; color: white; padding: 5px; display: inline-block;">11'6"</div>
<i>pole vault</i>	
Adam Karcz (11)	<div style="background-color: red; color: white; padding: 5px; display: inline-block;">15.81</div>
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Kevin Horecky (11)	<div style="background-color: red; color: white; padding: 5px; display: inline-block;">10:03</div>
<i>3200 meter run</i>	

be competitive be involved be a runner be hopeful be a sprinter



"My favorite part of track is when we get blueberry muffins and banana bread after our meets,"
edward willis (10) said



"My favorite memory in track is when I PR'd in discus. It was the Chesterton track meet, and I threw 119 feet which was 10 feet over my last personal record,"
nicholas terry (12) said



"We work hard for the first six months of the year, and it all comes down to one race, two miles, less than 10 minutes. It can be a little nerve racking."
kevin horecky (11) said

1. **be ridiculous:** Emily Peppin (11) hits a forehand while warming up before a match. "[My most challenging match] was in the Merrillville tournament when I played the 2nd State ranked one singles from Carmel," Peppin said.
2. **be close:** Grace Myers (12) and Lauren Ashenbrener (10) talk on the side of the court during warm-ups. Myers played one doubles with Britni Weiner and Ashenbrener played three singles.
3. **be happy:** Lauren Ashenbrener (10) practices her serve before a match against Michigan City. "[My favorite part of tennis is] the competition, friends and team spirit," Ashenbrener said.
4. **be recongized:** Laurie Rutkowski (12), Mr. Tom McElmurry, and Tara McElmurry (12) watch as their fellow seniors are awarded on senior night. "My biggest accomplishment has been keeping my varsity spot and having improved from last season," McElmurry said.
5. **be ready:** Erica Yothment (11) walks back to the base line during warmups. "I wanted to play two singles and win a decent amount of matches this season," Yothment said.
6. **be happy:** Britni Weiner (12) sits while waiting for Michigan City to arrive for the match on May 4. They lost the match to Michigan City 5-0.
7. **be prepared:** Samantha Tarrant (11) prepares to return while warming up before a match. "[My most challenging match] was when I played at the varsity Crawfordsville tournament and played Floyd," Tarrant said.



tradition & friendship



"Tara McElmurry (12), my doubles partner, and I 'pinky swear' for good luck before every single match. Since sophomore year, when we first played together, we listen to 'Call on Me' as we walk onto the court. We do this to get pumped up. Tara and I are very good friends. Our friendship is strong on and off the tennis court. This is why we work so well together on the court,"

Laurie Rutkowski (12) said

be energetic be crazy be powerful be bouncy be out of control be aces



"My biggest accomplishment was when Erin [Myers (11)] and I won all of our matches at the LaPorte tournament this year,"

Emily Peppin (11) said



"The best two matches of my life were when I had the chance to play three singles JV at the JV tournament in LaPorte. I had two great opponents,"

Lauren Ashenbrener (10) said



"As an individual my biggest accomplishment so far this season was when I won a game in my match by all aces at the Merrillville tournament,"

Samantha Tarrant (11) said

being a *role model*

7-6

see group photos for individual team scores

and coaches ask for your opinion," Grace Myers (12) said.

It also brings about strong feelings in the players.

"As a senior, it is more important than ever to be a friend to everyone, (not that it's hard, these girls are honestly awesome). But it just feels different. Being a senior is bittersweet because on the one hand it's awesome with all of the perks and privileges, but on the other hand it's sad because we're leaving," Tara McElmurry (12) said.

But added responsibilities didn't bring the girls down. "Seniors '09, woo! Being a senior has responsibilities. We make the freshmen feel welcomed and motivate the rest of the team. I love being a senior. We get the back of the bus too," Laurie Rutkowski (12) said.

The knowledge that you are the oldest on the team has its perks. "I love being a senior and acting crazy with the other seniors, and then seeing the freshmen give you weird looks for it," Myers said.

Anyone who has a passion knows there is that certain something that draws them in.

"My favorite part of playing tennis is being able to play with my partner Laurie. As a whole, tennis is about control and power at the same time and when you make those two things work together and win that tough point, it's an awesome feeling," McElmurry said.

The girls agreed that even though this will be their last season together, it has still been a season of good times.

"It has been a lot of fun," Emily Shaw (12) said.

lauren rigg and annemarie rompra

girls tennis

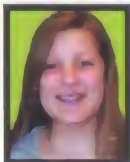


be *one-of-a-kind* be *spontaneous* be *fun* be *dedicated* be *hyper* be *exc*



"My biggest accomplishment so far this season would be getting the harder serves. I practiced a lot outside of practice and on weekends,"

nicole falcione (9) said



"Getting my varsity letter was my biggest achievement as an individual. I was really excited; it was my goal as a tennis player,"

anna rutkowski (9) said



"I went undefeated this season. It was the first year I had. I didn't expect it, but it felt good because last year I did not,"

ashley desautels (10) said

potential to *achieve*

10-0

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The season proved to be a learning experience for the team as they found ways to cope with the graduation of seniors and focused on success for the young team that was left behind.

"We have a young team consisting of only three seniors compared with last years seven. We don't have much experience compared to other teams out there," Tyler Graves (11) said.

The team did not only lose players when last year's seniors graduated, but they also lost what those seniors had come to stand for.

"We did lose seven seniors, and four of which were all-conference last year. They contributed a lot of leadership to the team," David Rossi (12) said.

Dealing with the loss of leadership, it was important that the team come together and re-organize.

"The season started off a little rough. The lack of varsity experience contributed to the rocky start. Now that we have a few matches under our belt, we are going to start performing where we should be improving," John Bojczuk (12) said.

The loss of those seven seniors left the players with the opportunity to step up to leadership positions.

"This year we have a lot younger team with only three seniors, most of which had no varsity experience until this year. Vince Barker (11) was voted captain this year, and he filled that leadership position," Rossi said.

Future teams will be able to learn a lot from what the team this season dealt with.

"The golf team will be losing three seniors this year, but there are four juniors that are going to lead the team. A lot of the new kids on the team will be looking to them for leadership and advice," Bojczuk said

morgan goldsmith & nina dimaggio

boys golf



be focused be ready be quiet be still be hard-working be patient be



"It was a rocky start to the season. We weren't playing to our full potential, and we knew we could play better. It's starting to come around, and we are starting to play better golf."

john bojczuk (12) said



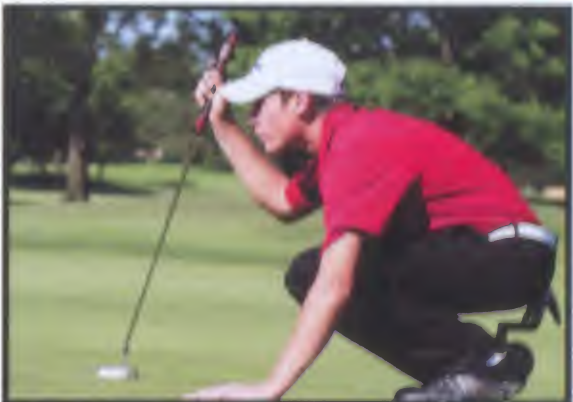
"I was definitely better last year than this year. I get mad too easy, and it makes me play a lot worse. We are a young team and have a lot of potential."

David Rossi (12) said



"The season has been going pretty well for me, and I have improved a lot. We are kind of a young team, so in a few years they will be pretty good. We hope to win sectionals."

Tyler Graves (11) said



1. be finished. Napoleon Caldwell (10) stands in a finished pose after he swings through hitting the ball. This is Caldwell's second year competing along with the varsity team.
2. be satisfied. Kevin Brinkmann (11) follows through after hitting the ball into the fairway. Brinkmann went off on him last on the red course at Bear Ridge with a satisfying drive.
3. be a team. Four team members carry their equipment as they head off the test box and towards the fairway. The team was qualifying for the top five varsity spots for the stretch the following day.
4. be on path. Jonathan Katch (11) focuses as he makes the putt on his first of three holes of the day. Katch made a good attempt at the putt when it rolled right in to the cup.
5. be lined up. Bernard Priby (12) analyzes the break on the green before attempting his next putt. Priby was only two over par before teeing off on this hole.
6. be new. Matthew Barone (11) practices during his first year on the team. Barone was forced to hit from the rough when his ball went off its intended course.

an inside look: the 3 sport athlete thomas samer

“I play hockey, soccer, & golf. It’s difficult to play all three sports. I am on varsity golf and hockey but JV soccer. The shooting in hockey helps with my golf swing. I get worn out all the time. I only have one or two weeks off in a whole year, but I push myself to play all three sports.”



thomas samer (9) said

driver be precise be calm be skilled be powerful be golfer be



“This season has been going alright. There has been good and bad days. Being a freshman on varsity is not that big of a deal because I have played golf tournaments.”
thomas samer (9) said



“This year is better than last year because I’m playing better. I’ve improved because I worked over the winter. Being on the team has been fun, and I have met new people.”
napoleon caldwell (10) said



“The big idea are crazy. Our team is so laid back. My prediction for next year’s team is to have a winning record and hopefully make it a regional because we will have more experience after years.”
bernard priby (12) said



"My father and I have a great bond with baseball. I've been playing for 14 years and I play the infield. Steven Traficante (12) was my favorite senior this year,"

garrett ummole (11) said



"It was an honor to make such a good team. I want to win conference next year. Frank Ruvoli (12) was my favorite senior because without him, I'm just a kid throwing a ball at a fence."

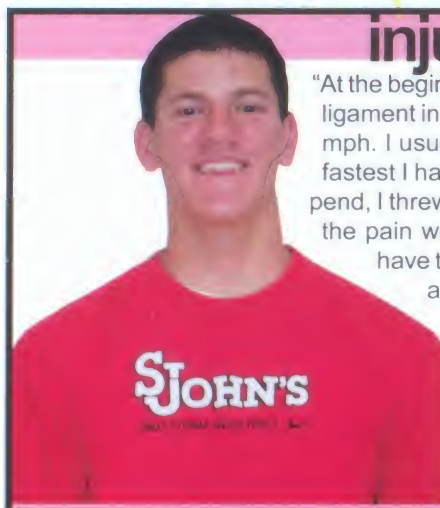
hank huckabee (11) said



"It felt ready for to make varsity. It was a big accomplishment for me. My mom got me interested in baseball when she signed me up when I was younger. Eric Summers (12) is my favorite senior,"

john pedersen (11) said

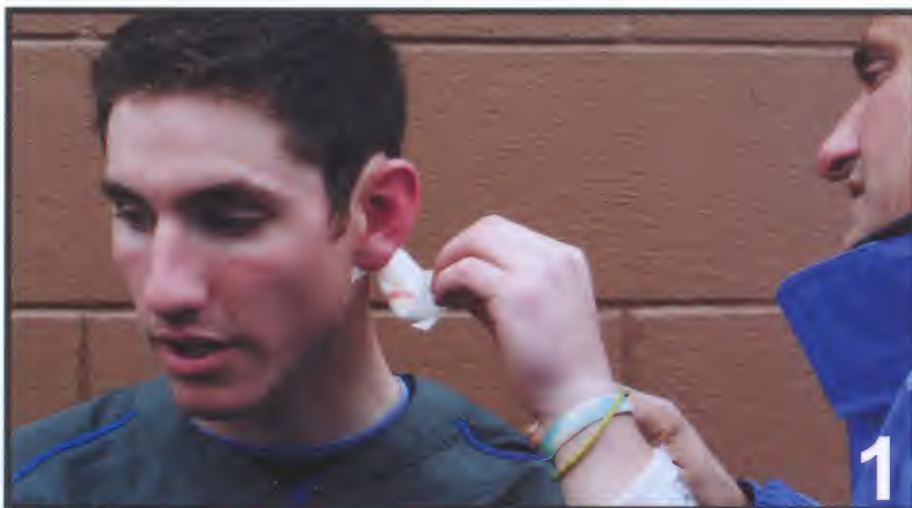
be attentive be an outfielder be ready be a pitcher be fast be in field be



injured all season

"At the beginning of the season I tore the ulnar collateral ligament in my arm. I tore it after I threw a fastball at 89 mph. I usually throw around 85 mph, so this was the fastest I had ever thrown. Not knowing what had happened, I threw two more pitches but had to stop because the pain was unbearable. I went to the doctor and I have to get Tommy John surgery, where they take a ligament from my forearm to tie down to my torn ligament. It will take a year to recover and hours of physical therapy. I am going to Indiana State, so my sophomore year I am hoping to walk onto the baseball team. It will be four months after my surgery before I can even throw a baseball,"

Kyle Scheffler (12) said



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"I've been playing baseball since I could walk. I'm a pitcher. My favorite senior was Frank Ruvoli (12) because he was the first senior to talk to me when I moved up to varsity and has helped me a lot."

neal mangelback (11) said



"Moving up to varsity was awesome. It was the best feeling I ever had in my life. I play third base. Next year, I hope to sign with a good college. Ryan Boss (12) is my favorite senior."

frank ruvoli (12) said



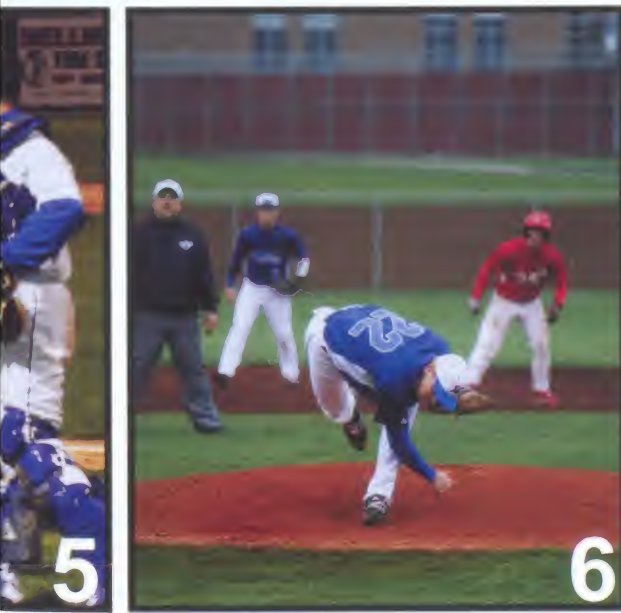
"It was an honor to start as a sophomore on varsity. I play outfield. Next year will be a good team. My favorite senior this year is Eric Summers (12) because he shows leadership."

eric summers (12) said

strong be on base beat bat be an ace be focused be on deck be a run



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striking out cancer

22-3

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Along with 76 teams across the state of Indiana, the Indians joined in on playing a game to "Strike out Kancer." The varsity baseball team took on their biggest rival, Crown Point. Both teams

played for one common cause, breast cancer. "It was a big game, us being Number 1 in the state and Crown Point being Number 2. The thought of a charity towards cancer brought more intensity and excitement as well," Anthony Olund (12) said.

The Indians found their first loss of the season that night, but for most players, the cause hit closer to home.

"My mom was recently diagnosed with cancer. It felt good to raise money for a great cause and give many women with cancer hope to keep fighting," Neil Koricanac (12) said. "We weren't just playing to win. We were playing to give cancer patients hope for the future."

The fund raiser stemmed off of the idea "Coaches vs. Cancer" in college basketball. All the money raised at the game went to the American Cancer Society.

"It felt great to know that a simple game of baseball could help so many. The whole team jumped at the idea when Coach [Todd] Iwema presented it," Steven Traficante (12) said. "It inspired other teams to do the same thing."

The team hopes to continue dedicating a game to spread cancer awareness and help raise money for research every year. This single game of baseball can possibly turn into a great tradition.

"My mother is a breast cancer survivor. I bought pink batting gloves and put her initials on it. I wanted to have a good game and dedicate it to my mom," Frank Ruvoli (12) said.

stephanie tarrant & stephanie costa

baseball

- 1. be injured:** Standing outside of the dugout, Steven Traficante's (12) dad looks at the cut behind his left ear. Traficante was at bat when he got hit in the head.
- 2. be informed:** Eric Summers (12) stands at home plate during the Steel Yard memorial game in Gary, IN. Summers looked at his sweat band to find out the play being made.
- 3. be focused:** At the beginning of an inning, Frank Ruvoli (12) catches a pitch thrown by Eric Summers (12). The varsity catcher and pitcher have been playing together since they were young.
- 4. beready:** Awaiting his at bat, Anthony Olund (12) warms up at Crown Point. They played to raise money and "strike out" breast cancer.
- 5. be excited:** Brian Crider (11) and Matthew Skura (12) high five after ending the top of the fourth inning. The team was excited after getting three consecutive outs.
- 6. be powerful:** Neil Koricanac (12) throws a fastball during the DAC game against Crown Point. Koricanac followed in his brother Nikola's ('06) footsteps as a varsity pitcher.

freshmen on varsity

Statistics on the only two freshman players on the team.

Fastest Pitch - 61 MPH

Years Played - 8 years

Making Varsity - "It felt really good, like an accomplishment. I'm going to continue playing for LC," Dobson said.

Ashley Dobson (9)

Position Played - Outfield

Years Played - 8 years

Being pulled up to Varsity - "I was super excited. All the girls on the team are my friends," Ranieri said.

Kaitlyn Ranieri (9)



1. be anticipating: Rebecca Nawrocki (12) swings at the ball during a home game on senior night. Nawrocki practiced hard during the season, along with the rest of the varsity girls, which paid off.

2. be supportive: The varsity softball team congratulates Jessica Morgan (12) for hitting a home run. This was the first point scored during a game against Griffith.

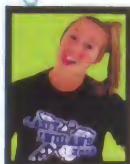
3. be unbreakable: Jessica Dobson (12) pitches during a game against Chesterton. "I couldn't have asked for a better way to end my senior year. I really enjoyed this season," Dobson said.

4. be attentive: Samantha Terry (10), Meredith Cioffi (12), and Jessica Dobson (12) watch their teammates bat while sitting in the dugout. The game was the team's senior night and was also one of the many games they won.

5. be constructive: Coach Erin Zeller gives Brooke Polus (11) a pat on the head for making it to first base after a good hit. This was Zeller's second year coaching for the varsity softball team.

6. be aware: Ashley Cuthbert (12) catches the ball as a Griffith opponent is at bat. This was Cuthbert's final home game after four years on the softball team.

be tough be fast be intense be attentive be ready be spirited be talkative



"I've been playing softball for nine years. [This season] has been better than expected. This year is a whole new team from last year, and it's been really good. I've had a lot of fun,"

brooke polus (11) said



"We've been having an excellent season. We were all a little nervous about the coaching changes, but it turned out really well. I think we improved as a team. It takes a lot of time, but I've done real well,"

alyssa gallagher (10) said



"We [the varsity softball team] are solid this year. Our friendship really shows on the field. I think we are going to go to state. I'm definitely going to continue to play for Lake Central,"

alyssa gallagher (10) said



come together *as one*

24-5

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Imagine standing in the outfield, looking to your right and to your left, and seeing your best friends. That is exactly the case with the softball team.

"We started hanging out every day once the season started," Alyssa Gallegos (10) said.

If these girls are going to be on a team with one another, it is essential that they learn to communicate as friends and not as acquaintances. They have built up a relationship that has made this season one of their best.

"We play as a team, this is the year we've been closest. We have a lot of team chemistry," Ashley Cuthbert (12) said.

Becoming close with the team is not the only task to accomplish. The varsity girls spend most of their time after school practicing and doing drills. They also like to use different tactics that they feel will help during games.

"We do crazy cheers, weird handshakes, and dance in the outfield. We like to be fun and not too serious," Melissa Magdos (12) said.

By being more upbeat and not too hard on each other, it relieves stress from the girls and causes an outcome of many wins throughout their season.

"We are so laid back, and try to stay relaxed. It really helps us a lot to go onto the field without being stressed," Cuthbert said.

All of the girls on the team have talent, but it's how they share that talent with one another to keep the team strong. The girls know how to stick together on the field and how to support one another.

"This year, no one is playing for themselves. Every one is playing as a team; as one," Magdos said.

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Softball



we be fierce be athletic be close-knit be bold be focused be practicing



"[My experience] has been good. My time playing softball has been great. In the future I plan on going to college and playing softball there. I have been playing since I was six."

samantha perry (10) said



"This is my third year on the team, and it is really fun. I'm close with all the girls. We've won a lot and lost a little. We have real good team work this year. It is really laid back."

magdalene harris (11) said



"Our season has been going well. We have a good record and are all playing well as a team. We always know how to make things interesting and fun. There's not a day when we're not all laughing."

nichole overbaugh (11) said

keep a *steady pace*

jv

Spring is upon us, which means junior varsity spring sports are underway. The runners are on their marks, the pitchers are standing on the mound, the batters have their eye on the ball, and the pole vault crew is ready to fly.

"I definitely hang out with track people more during the season," said Andrew Semethy (10). "I've made lasting friendships just from track." Semethy continued, "It's just a fun sport for me. I like everyone on the team, the bus rides are always fun, and you get to screw around at practice."

Many of these athletes have been working hard throughout the fall and winter in order to prepare themselves to compete at the highest level possible. They also hope that all the hard work will eventually land them a spot on the varsity squads of their respective sports.

As time passes and the season comes to a close, athletes often take time to reminisce.

"I would like to relive the Crawfordsville trip," said Anna Weber (9). "I had lots of fun on the bus with Colleen [McElmurry (10)] and the tennis was fun. The match I played was very difficult but also very rewarding." Weber was apart of the JV girls tennis team that went undefeated for the second year in a row.

Spring has sprung, along with the perseverance of our JV athletes. Being on junior varsity does not keep these younger athletes from setting records and pushing their abilities to the limits. They are able to prove themselves on field, track, or mound. Their stamina is just as great and forceful as that of a varsity athlete. To make the jump from junior varsity to varsity is a goal that is well worth the work.

jeremy harrison & karman weathersby

spring jv



be talented be strong be fit be victorious be fast be agile be a winner



"Playing a JV sport helps you learn a lot about the fundamentals of the sport, and you make new friends that you'll keep throughout your high school career,"

karan sharma (9) said



"JV is a good way to get your feet wet and learn the fundamentals of the sport to prepare you for varsity sports in the future,"

edward willis (10) said



"My favorite memory was when Tony Halterman (12) and Tommy Zaga (11) gave everybody nicknames on the bus. It was really funny."

drew hollinsworth (9) said

a word of thanks

"I plan to play LC tennis all four years. I love playing tennis, and I enjoy being with the team. The tennis coaches are really nice. They both taught me a lot this season. Coach [Vivian Velasco] is awesome. Congratulations on an undefeated JV season. Coach [Brian Szalonek] helped me improve my game this season. Thank you both for everything you have done,"

anna weber (9) said



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1. be on your mark: Alexia Candreva (10) follows close behind Megan Durochik (9). The girls were running a 200 meter dash against Crown Point. Megan Durochik's time was 30 seconds.

2. be braced: Abigail Melvin (10) and Anna Weber (9) warm up before a tennis match. Despite Weber's knee complications, she still continues to play tennis.

3. be safe: Angelina Cicchirillo (9) slides in for a steal at third base. Although the girls had lost 9-6, Cicchirillo still managed to be safe by only a fraction of a second.

4. be ready for take off: Lucas Panfil (12), Keith Hickok (9), Andrew Semethy (10), and Adam Meeker (10) stand on the sideline before they vault. Pole vaulting requires the right amount of speed and power to clear the bar.

5. be confident: Ashley Voss (9) is up to bat at the girls softball game in Munster. "We came back from a 9-0 game," Voss said. The girls' final score was 9-6.

6. be swift: Anthony Ciarrocchi (9) practices before the game against Merrillville. When referred to by the varsity baseball players, he is called the 'Big One'.

be accountable be involved be poised be proud be competitive be



"I like [JV sports] because it's good for people who don't want it to be their whole life, or people who aren't as talented. They get to do what they love and have fun,"

gianna richardson (10) said



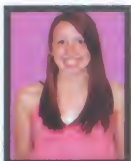
"JV helps varsity get ready for the games by giving them a look at what the other teams may play like,"

peter janiga (11) said



"We feel like we were a successful junior varsity team, and we hope that will translate to more wins next year when we get to the varsity level."

ashley voss (9) said



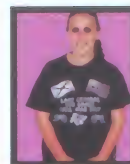
"Concert Choir accomplished a lot this year. It was the most fun year, because the people were more easy going. I met Emily Hogg (11), and I wouldn't have made it through the year without her,"

Kayla Kerner (12) said



"It was hard work being in Varsity Choir, but fun at the same time. It's one of the four choirs I'm involved in at school, and I work harder in that choir than any of the others. The hard work definitely pays off."

Joelle Opyt (11) said



"Bells I is really fun, but it takes a lot of hard work to get everything right. This was my first year in bells, but I became friends with a lot of the other girls in my class."

Laura Mills (9) said

be *asoprano* be *warmed up* be *musical* be *loud* be *ready* be *talented*

ready to reach new heights

Sports have sectionals and regionals, the band has national competitions, and the dance and cheerleading teams each have a national competition. For the first time in thirteen years, the choir had ISSMA State competitions to look forward to.

Concert Choir advanced to the state level of competition for the fifth time in the history of the school. This event was one that caused all sorts of reactions for the hardworking students involved in the choir. "I was really excited that we made it to state, because we haven't gone for thirteen years," Britttny Johnson (11) said.

Justin Denton (12), who has been involved in choir since his freshman year, said, "I was happy because it meant that my senior year was going out on a high note."

Joseph Maguire (12) was also pleasantly surprised at this unexpected way to end his senior year in choir.

"I was extremely surprised that we made it, since it hasn't happened in a long time," Maguire said. "None of us thought it was going to happen."

Making ISSMA State is no easy task, however. "They take your scores from your songs and sight reading and place that against all the other choirs in the state," Johnson said. "Then they take the top 16 scores for state."

The choir performed for state on May 9 at Warren Central High School in Indianapolis, and the students have many thoughts about that historic performance.

"I think we did really well at State," Maguire said. "We actually made [Ms. Sandra] Hobbs cry during one of our songs."

Overall, the experience ended up being something truly unique and beneficial for the members of the Concert Choir, who took fifteenth in the state competition.

But for Denton, he will remember the moment and be proud of what happened because, as he said, "It's the last time I'll ever be in choir at Lake Central."

emily hogg and beka kasper

choir & bells



what does it take to be in

show choir?

Trebleaires



sarah scott (10)

You have to put love into being a 'Treb.' **You have to love what you do.** If you love what you do, you're going to have fun and be good at it.

Da Capo



miguel scaife (11)

You need charisma and stage presence. You have to blend in with everyone else. No stage fright. **You just have to be able to shine.**

Counterpoints



michael flores (11)

It takes dedication, hard work, and a **good attitude** to be in Counterpoints. Also, you obviously need to have a **good voice.**



"Bells II is really fun because we are learning harder music and becoming a lot closer as a class. We improved a lot this year, and I'm looking forward to being in Bells III next year," *rebecca kimberly (10) said*



"Junior Treble was fun, and it prepared me for next year since I'm going to be in Concert Choir. Everyone in the choir was really nice, and we got along well. There wasn't a bunch of drama," *estibaliz afanador (9) said*



"It's great to be involved in music in high school, and be able to take trips out of school and play for different groups of people with Bells III. It's nice to be in something that's different," *allie kovar (11) said*

be a tenor be in tune be unique be expressive be bubbly be singing



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what is a pig day?



"A pig fest happens the day after a concert or the day after that. Everyone brings food and we watch the concert and just hang out with the entire class. It's all about relaxing and not having to worry about getting ready and preparing for the concert," *melissa deyong (9) said*



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1. **be outrageous:** Joseph Synakiewicz (12) dances during a solo at the spring concert. He and the Concert Choir went to state for only the fifth time in school history.
2. **be together:** Kathleen Dienes (10), Eryn Schweiger (10), and Stephanie Haddad (10) share a laugh during Bells II. The three were laughing over a mistake made during the piece.
3. **be adoring:** Shannon Jones (12) looks into Tyler Mills (11)'s eyes during the spring concert Counterpoints' performance. The group performed between 40-50 shows a year.
4. **be in sync:** Members of the Bells III class practice a piece for their upcoming spring concert. The group performed "Gwerzy" and "Aladdin".
5. **be silly:** Brian Bandura (9) does his best "blind ref" impersonation during his solo during the Varsity Choir's "Monster Mash." The choirs dressed in costume at the fall concert.

1. **be skillful:** Krista Tobin (9) focuses on nailing her rifle toss during practice. Her motto for the year was, "In order to be the best, you have to do your best."
2. **be occupied:** The colorguard practices outside after school in the Freshman Center parking lot. The colorguard theme was friendship.
3. **be on time:** The Winter A Guard throws their flags in sync during a performance at school. Their routine was centered around the absence of emotions.
4. **be concentrated:** Brandon Hyzy (12) holds his pose as he waits for his rifle to fall. The team performed in Indianapolis at Ben Davis High School.
5. **be united:** Showing unity, the winter open guard gathers together during a performance. At Winter Guard International, the team was one place away from finals.
6. **be interested:** Jordyn Shields (10) practices with her flag at a team practice. Usually the three hour practices were held at Watson Elementary.



fun and games

the pranksters behind the flags

"We prank our staff at WGI World Championships as a final goodbye to each other. We want to give them something to remember us by, and it's our way of finally relaxing after a long season. The team usually pulls the first prank, and the staff and our parents retaliate."

emily keith (12) said

"The seniors make up the prank. Then, when the coaches go out to eat, we go to their room and put whip cream or toothpaste in the bathroom. It's payback for when they are hard on us."

synthia dominguez (11) said



e **synchronized** **be** *ready* **to catch** **be** *focused* **be** *unified* **be** *loud* **be** *cre*



"By next year, I hope to explain things better to people so I can help them understand it more. I would also like to, maybe, become a flag captain with my friend."

genova larcher (10) said



"I think we will do really well at the competitions next year. We put in a lot of time, and we have all worked really hard."

alyssa karper (11) said



"I would like to be on Open Guard next year. I'm looking forward to Winter Guard International; it's the last competition. Both Winter and Colorguard have their pluses, but Colorguard is less strict."

darian george (10) said

only one place *away*

colorguard

One place. Colorguard was one place from moving on after their national competition. "We had an amazing show, and I feel everyone did their best. It was disappointing to be so close, but it just makes me look even more forward to next season," Maranda Fishback (10) said.

After so much effort, not making the cut off by one place affected the team's attitude. "I was really upset. It was my senior year on guard, and it was my last chance to make it to finals," Katherine Milbrath (12) said.

With all of the pressure during the season, some people just wanted to quit, but still stuck it out. "The long practices, getting yelled at, the drama, and the extreme weather we have to practice outside in were all moments I wanted to quit," Krista Tobin (9) said.

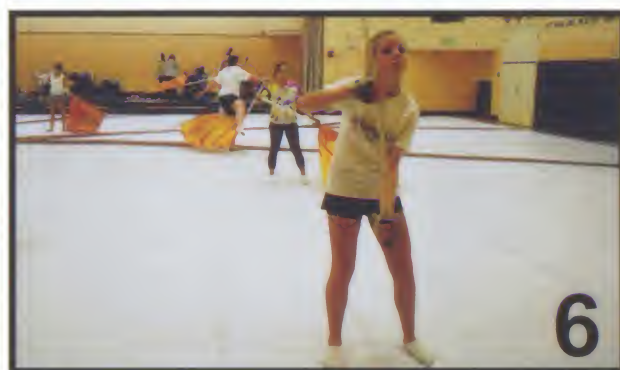
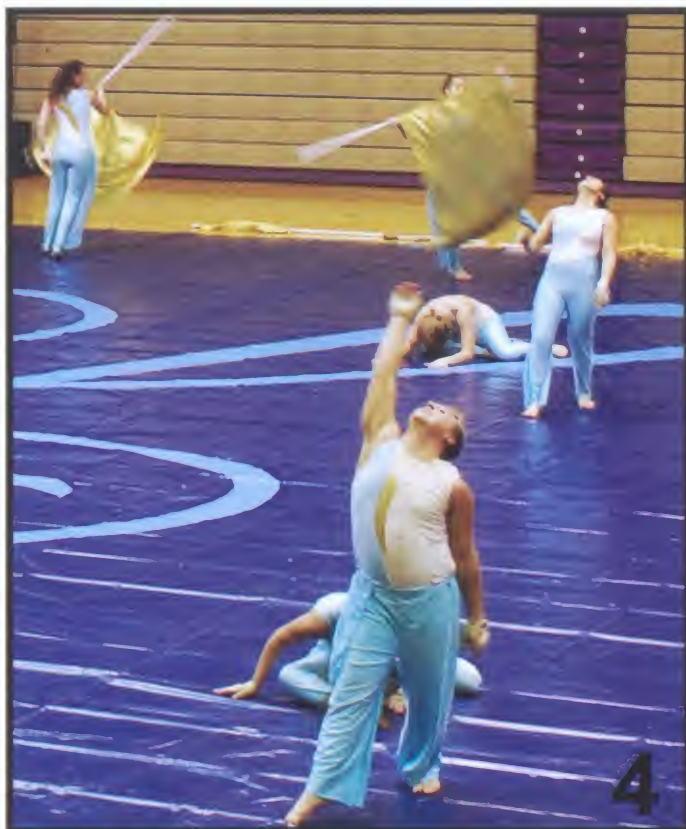
The team found ways to stay motivated even through the pressure. "My friends and it being my senior year kept me motivated to do everything the best I could to get as far in competitions as possible," Milbrath said.

The coaches were right by the colorguard's side throughout the whole season. "I think they did really well. They gave an amazing show to us and taught us amazing work. I love all of them," Fishback said.

The season, however, wasn't just going to competition. It took practicing four times a week plus practicing the day of competitions.

"[Most people don't know] all the long hours we put into practicing; being here in the summer at 1 p.m. and not leaving until 9 p.m., band camp of 8 days of 13 hours of practicing 8 to 9 p.m., weekend practice that could be five to nine hours, and even practicing three hours on competition days. We put so much time and effort into colorguard," Tobin said.

lauren rigg & anemarie rompra



"I have been taking every available practice time to improve myself for next year. I would really like to make the Open Guard. I also am trying to keep working hard," *ariana babistakos (10) said*

"The competition that I am most looking forward to next year is the one in Dayton. It is one of the biggest competitions, and teams come from all over the region. We get to stay out there for three days," *ashley plant (10) said*

"I really hope to get better at the skills I struggle with so the guard will be the best it can be. I have a hard time with the weapon work we do because I'm usually on the flag line," *kerri clark (11) said*



"Marching Band is my favorite. The bus rides to competition were the best. Breanna Walton (10), Ellen Geisen (10) and I had an inside joke about one of the chaperones who we called Cruella," Leah Thomas (10) said



"Marching Band is my favorite. There is a lot more to do during the summer like meeting a lot of people and going to skit night. Each section of the band did a skit, and it was pretty funny," Ryan Kluck (9) said



"Marching Band is my favorite to be in. You work hard and achieve a lot. Plus, you get to spend most of your summer and every weekend with your friends. Bus rides were the best," Sarah Mitchell (11) said

be talented be musical be busy be tuneup be a team be melodic be

marching band rocks to the top

No matter what show the marching band performs, every year is a successful year for Lake Central's Tribe of Pride, but their 2008 season was record breaking. Absence, their theme, was their most triumphant and successful show yet.

"This year was exciting because we really reached our goals," Breanna Walton (10) said.

The sophomore, who plays the clarinet, had more than enough good things to say about her first season ever in the marching band.

She explained that in the ISSMA state competition Absence placed higher than ever before in 5th place, and placed 13th in Bands of America Grand Nationals, which is another record for the band, and only one place away from moving onto finals. The band competed against some of the best bands in the state and held their ground.

"This year set so many records, but we also had a lot of fun," Krista Gallatin (10) said.

Sieffert was only a freshman in band, but found inspiration from the upperclassmen section leaders, who lead each group of instruments. Band members become close after spending hours and hours of summer and after-school practice time together.

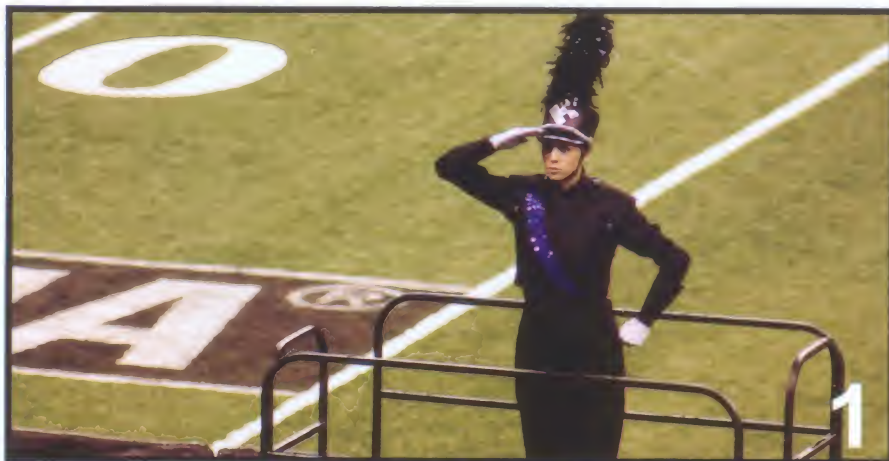
"Before competitions, we talk to our section leaders, and they inspire us to be amazing and have the best performance we've ever had," Caroline Sieffert (9) said.

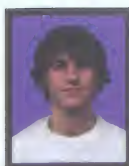
Sure, the band won many competitions, but many band members agree that the most fun part of band is making new friends, and having fun on bus rides. Sieffert says that her experience is no different.

"This year was amazing. I really like being in band, and I have a whole new set of friends," Sieffert said.

Megan Trincot & Megan Wojcik

band





"Marching Band would be my favorite because of the intensity and coordination that has to be put in to it. You have to be able to keep time, play, and dash around the field all at the same time," *matthew smith (11) said*



"I like Marching Band because we have stuff to do during the summer. I also get to spend a lot of time with my friends. Another thing I liked was the Bands of America Grand Nationals," *carla villa (9) said*



"Wind Ensemble is my favorite because we have the least number of practices out of any band, and the Wind Ensemble music is easier for me to read and play," *roy meyer (10) said*

sync be creative be a winner be booming be harmonious be in tune



winter drumline

"This year was different because we really tried, competitively, to make a difference. The show was happier than year's past, but this year is more about having fun. The show is called Play. Competitively, we have gotten really low scores, and we have gotten first place. It is an iffy show. It is fun to be with such a close group of people, we are all really close," *Jasmine Christy (11) said.*

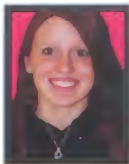


jazz band: improv your way to the top

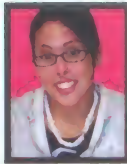
"Jazz band is just a great time to have fun with different types of music. We practice twice a week, and we sight read different music, learn about the history of jazz, and listen to different jazz artists. We also practice for our gigs. We play at all the band concerts, but we also attended a jazz festival at [Indiana State University] to get critiques, and just listen to other bands. Jazz band is full of people who want to get more into music and really enjoy and learn about jazz music," *Kristen Flens (10) said.*



- 1. be a leader:** Jessica Verrill (12) stands prepared to conduct the band. They attended the Bands of America Grand Nationals Championship.
- 2. be ready:** Practice takes place inside on rainy days. Breanna Walton (10) and Caroline Sieffert (9) played in the L.G.I. while the drum majors kept time.
- 3. be prepared:** The band practices their award-winning show "Absence." They practiced every single day after school during their season.
- 4. be rhythmic:** Matthew Siorek (12) drums during practice. He carried a drum that is actually 6 drums built into one and has the heaviest instrument in the band.
- 5. be loud:** The trombone section is normally dominated by boys, but Rebecca Miedema (12) has held her ground for four years. She practiced after school every day to improve.
- 6. be dedicated:** A conductor like Ben Ballas (11) directs the marching band to a victorious season. Ballas and Jessica Verrill (12) were the drum majors for the 2008 season.



"I'm going with my boyfriend [from Purdue], and we're going to SixFlags the next day with my group. [I look most forward to] getting ready and wearing my pretty dress; that's the best part,"
Kayla Kerner (12) said



"I'm very excited. It's my first time going. My dress is all sparkly, and it's a melon color. I'm bringing my sister's boyfriend, and I'm going with my boyfriend to Indiana Dunes [the next day]."
Kristen Opyt (12) said



"I'm not going to Prom this year because I want senior year to be big and go all out. It will just be a normal weekend [because] not that many of my friends are going."
Raquel Revis (11) said

be crowned be pretty be fancy be expensive be happy camper be prom night in the moment

besides Graduation, one of the highly-anticipated events of high school is Prom. Students have taken the traditional Prom and expanded the special night and adventurous weekend and set it as a continuous precedent.

For some students, the crowning moment is being chosen as part of Prom Court.

"This was probably one of the best and busiest weekends of my life. It was cool being nominated Prom Prince even though I didn't win," Alexander Gianopolus (11) said.

After the last dance, tired Prom goers pack on party buses and limos to take the post-party ride downtown to Chicago.

"After Prom, my group and I went to The Melting Pot. The limo ride was a lot of fun and the people in the group were really funny, too," Gianopolus said.

"My group and I drove [to Chicago] Saturday morning, and we walked along Lake Shore Drive. The evening consisted of shopping and hot-tubbing after dinner at Maggiano's," Mary Kathleen Siuba (12) said.

Sleep-deprived and cranky students lack energy after a long evening just to wake up and continue on with another tradition.

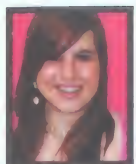
"I ended up staying awake until 4:30 a.m. talking to people. The bad part was that I had to wake up at 8:30 the next morning to go to SixFlags. SixFlags was probably the most fun I have ever had," Gianopolus said.

Prom went beyond tradition by the arrangements that were donated for the event.

"Class Cabinet member, Samantha Tarrant (11), had her aunt Beth Tenney help donate all of the glassware that we had to return. Sam's aunt owns Anna Held Florist in Chicago," Mrs. Joan Loden, mathematics, said.

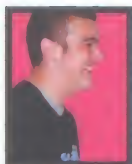
emily levin





"I'm very excited for Prom. That Saturday [my group and I] are going to the Cheesecake Factory in Chicago. [I'm most excited] about going to the dance and being with my friends and boyfriend."

michelle kerchinger (12) said



"I'm not going to prom because Magdalene Huff (12) already has a date."

jake ford (11) said



"I can't wait to bust a move on the dance floor with my girlfriend [Magdalene Huff (12)]; too bad Jake Ford (11) isn't going to be there."

zachary cain (12) said

ifty be dressed up be traditional be crazy be remembered be dance



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"once upon a dream"

"My parents drove me to Chattanooga, Tenn. for Prom. I went because that's where my boyfriend currently goes to school. I had my dress made for me because every dress I tried on didn't fit me at all; I'm just really short. I guess. The theme of the dance was 'Once Upon a Dream' and the decorations had a Cinderella look to them with a fake white horse and carriage. The dance was a lot different from LC's. No food or drinks are served."

I could definitely tell I was in Tennessee when they played a lot of country music. We had dinner at a downtown pizza place, not crazy fancy, but they had great food, and it was a fun place to eat. I had to leave Tennessee and go back home that morning. It took us about 10 hours to get there, but it was definitely worth it," Megan Dunn (11) said.



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1. **be "cheesy":** Brianne Gargas (12) and Annemarie Rompca (12) capture a memory from their last dance of high school. The girls broke away from their dates to pose for a picture.
2. **be memorable:** Lee Rose (12) and Ashley Dowling (12) share a dance together during Prom. Two slow songs are always expected after a series in a mix.
3. **be in the middle:** A group of students form a line to dance with each other. Prom goers were able to see the whole dance floor by a camera connected to a projector screen.
4. **be excited:** A group of friends turn to pose for a picture. The crowd went wild and started shouting everytime a video camera or photographer came by.
5. **be crowned:** Erin Myers (11) fixes Karee Hackel's (12) crown after Hackel was named Queen. "It was very unexpected, but it made the Prom experience simply unforgettable," Hackel said.
6. **be groovy:** Rebecca Trzupek (12) and Matthew Cashen (12) go crazy during a techno beat. "Becky was a real ferocious dancer, and it was an honor to get to the chance to boogie with her," Cashen said.

prom weekend



it's *unforgettable*

What some people call the night of your high school life has successfully rolled over into the following weekend. The students who take advantage of this mini vacation do so in whatever way they see fit. There are no dress codes or starting times here, and for them, prom was only the kicker.

"The Saturday after prom I went to Six Flags with my prom group. My prom date was never on a roller coaster before," Matthew Radencic (11) said. "We all convinced her to go on the Raging Bull first. She was fine after awhile and we ended up spending the whole day there."

Roller coasters are one of the more wild choices for prom weekend. Some students choose to rather lay back and relax.

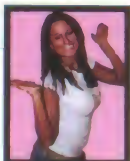
"My prom group and I went to the beach on Saturday. We buried people in the sand and took pictures on an abandoned boat. It was awesome. We even drank out of coconut glasses that we got at Walmart, but it was still one of those things I'm definitely going to remember about prom," Kaitlyn Boeker (11), said.

And if they aren't feeling roller coasters or beaches, some traditional camping always works too.

"My senior class went camping in Noblesville. We just had fun and hung out by the bonfire. It was fun to be with my whole class one last time. I got to be with people I don't usually get to hangout with, and it was one of my most memorable times as a senior," Lauren DeYoung (12) said.

So whether it's tents or beaches or roller coasters, or even something else, prom weekend is to be remembered by the way you celebrated it.

the editors and chris perez



"I spilled orange pop, all over Corey Davis's (12) white pants. I will still be talking about going camping when I'm 20."

nigela gallegos (12) said



"I went my junior year and it was not as much fun as this year. This year it was awesome how everyone just came together and got along."

margaret kuff (12) said



"Camping was 'fun'. It was probably the most fun I've had all year. It was an awesome way to end my senior year."

ryan kade (12) said

be thrilled *be* memorable *be* bold *be* a camper *be* loud *be* awake *be*

indiana beach prom weekend

"My favorite part [of Prom weekend] was probably going to the amusement park. We hung out with my cousins and had bonfires and smores. S m o r e s are my favorite,"

sara howes (11)
said



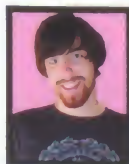
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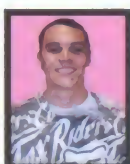
1. **be outdoors:** Michael Seman (12), Jonathan Tallent (12), Adriano Giovane (12), Lani Casteneda (11) and Sarah Sweeney (12) cook hot dogs while camping at Illinois Beach Day Park. The group camped out all day Saturday.
2. **be spirited:** Kaley Marcinak (11) sits on the dock at her cabin in Michigan. Marcinak and some members of her Prom group spent the weekend at her cabin rather than going camping to Six Flags or Chicago.
3. **be spirited:** Kristin Malek (12) and Laurie Rutkowski (12) are with characters from Six Flags Great America. Their prom group had met up early in the morning in order to have maximum time at the park.
4. **be peaceful:** Samantha Quinn (12) and Olivia Radencic (12) enjoy their Prom weekend at a park with their friends. Before hand, they met up at Chili's and then spent the rest of the day at various parks.
5. **be joyful:** Mary Kate Siuba (12), Gianna Mirabelli (12), Nicole Gantz (12) and Emily Schultz (12) jump mid-air while spending a day at the beach after Prom. The girls spent the day in Chicago and ended up at Maggiano's for dinner.
6. **be excited:** Richard Reasons (11), Sarah Veronesi (11), Jenna Dimopolous (10), and Christopher Jelewski (11) gaze into an exhibit at Brookfield Zoo. The group spent the day walking around the zoo and seeing the sights.

thrilled be in the city be at the zoo be friendly be excited be outdoors



"Camping was a lot of fun being with all the groups of cliques. We all bonded together and were all friends."

matthew james (12) said



"Camping was a blast and I had so much fun. I can't wait to go again. It was an awesome experience."

christopher (12) said



"Camping was the best weekend of my life. I think everyone senior year should go. It's a good experience to be with your entire senior class and friends."

gianna delabonnel (12) said

senior banquet



- 1. be incognito:** Seniors put their hands in the air hoping to be shown on LCTV. They stopped dancing and screamed when the camera light shined on their faces.
- 2. be gold members:** Kara Adamczewski (12), Kathryn Alleva (12), Jessica Dobson (12), Michael Klamro (12) pose for a picture. They dressed up as the crew from *Austin Powers*.
- 3. be break dancers:** Olukolapo Alli (12) and Alaina Ciarrocchi (12) dance with each other as the rest of the students circled around them. They took the spotlight as they danced in the center.
- 4. be hungry:** Students go up to the buffet to grab a bite to eat. The Halls of St. George provided an assortment of Italian foods.
- 5. be outgoing:** Adam Misirly (12) sports his dance moves the night of Senior Banquet in front of some friends. He truly embraced the characteristics of being a Blink-182 member.
- 6. be dancers:** Emerson Knauss (12), Elizabeth Trichak (12), Rachel Heldt (12), and Anthony Klimczak (12) dance their night away. Senior Banquet was held on Friday April 24 at the Halls of St. George.

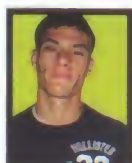


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"Senior Banquet was probably one of the best times I've had my senior year. My favorite memory was dancing with my friends. We had the best time, by far."
ashley foley (12) said



"Senior Banquet was a lot of fun seeing everyone dressed up. My favorite memory was just dressing up and dancing around in a costume."
arnold miron (12) said



"I thought Senior Banquet was fun. I had a good time. My favorite memory was seeing all the awards and the dancing."
lauren adamczewski (12) said

the final hoorah

As the end of the school year approaches, seniors want to make the best of the few weeks they have left of their high school career. One of the biggest events of senior year is Senior Banquet. This year the theme was "From '90s to '09".

"[My most memorable moment about Senior Banquet] was going to Round the Clock after the dance and seeing everyone in their costumes there. It was especially funny when the Teletubbies showed up," Austin Meyer (12) said.

Every year, students and their classmates think of different ways they can portray the theme of the banquet. Just like most years, many different "celebrities" showed up. Some of the different costumes include the Teletubbies, Austin Powers and his crew, Mrs. Doubtfire, American Girl Dolls and Mean Girls.

"Of course my personal 'favorite costume award' went to the Teletubbies. They were incredibly entertaining. The Spartan people came in a close second, though," Anita Thomas (12) said.

There are many seniors that look forward to seeing the winners of the numerous awards. Some of the awards given out was best eyes, best hair, best personality, and couple that should've been. "I was pretty disappointed there was no 'best costume' because that is really what everyone is waiting for," Meyers said.

For some students, Senior Banquet could have been a lot better had there been better music. "Senior banquet really needed legit DJ's," Thomas said.

The quality of DJ was the biggest complaint about the senior's last get together. Nonetheless, there was dinner, costumes, awards, and lots of dancing even though DJ wasn't up to par.

Katy Bastie and Lindsey Janis



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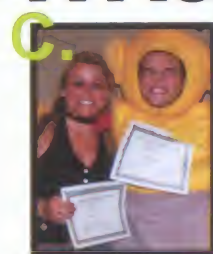
who won what?



A. Tara Barnes (12) and Anthony Halupniczak (12)



B. Brittany Kerwin (12) and Neil Koricanac



C. Jenny Gross (12) and Adam Sze-w c i w (12)



D. Byrne Dempsey (12) and Genna Noel (12)

Answers: A. High School Sweethearts B. Best Eyes C. Best Smile D. Biggest Flirt

babies be survivors be ghostbusters be charlies angels be spiderman



"Nope [I don't wish I went to senior banquet]. don't care, I went to Prom. [I didn't go to banquet] because I saved my money for Prom and my camping experience," *an m... (12) said*



"[I wish I went to Senior Banquet.] I wanted to spend more time with my senior class. Later, I know I'm going to regret it," *g... (12) said*



"I don't really feel like I missed out. I know I would have had fun if I went, but I don't regret my decision not to go. I decided to hang out with my friends at Michigan City Beach that day instead," *k... (12) said*

we've got *talent*

Once a year, students get a chance to get up on a real stage and show everyone in the school what they can do. Is the glory worth the possible humiliation? Is the work worth the prize?

"The crowd was pumped and after all of the hours we put into it practicing, it was all worth it," Dominic Podsiadlik (12) said.

Podsiadlik was one of the Blues Brothers included in the winning act. Podsiadlik and his fellow Blues Brother Joesph Synakiewicz (12) danced and had the crowd laughing and clapping. They performed with jazz musicians in the final musical act of the night.

"I actually did this so we could play on a stage in front of 500 people, which is really once in a lifetime," Podsiadlik said.

For Ciro Lopez (10), the talent show was just a way to show LC that there are talents other than singing, dancing, and playing in a band. His act of twirling and jumping through his lasso caught the judge's attention. He won first place in the miscellaneous category.

"I've done it my whole life," Lopez said about his lasso act.

He showed his interesting talent to the school, but he is not eager to do it again.

"I don't like doing the same thing over and over," Lopez said.

Along with the Blues Brothers and the lasso act, the talent show included many more unique acts. Brooke Burczyk (12), Leah Cerwinske (12), and Rachel Cerwinske (12), the show winners from last year, performed a dance to "It's Raining Men." The girls were beat out this year, though, by the group of boys who performed "I Believe in a Thing Called Love."

megan trincot and megan wojcik

be a rock star: David O'Donnell (10), Jacob Egli (11), Andrew Srisuwanakorn (12), Joseph Turman (10), and Austin Venhuizen (12) play "I Believe in a Thing Called Love". They had the crowd laughing and clapping for the whole song.

1.

be on key: Meghan Morales (12) and Hayley Schwartzman (12) sing a duet. They sang their rendition of "Leave the Pieces" by The Wreckers.

2.

be amazing: Ciro Lopez (10) jumps through his lasso during his routine. He competes in Mexican rodeos, and performs at banquets, dances, and other kinds of events.

3.

be silly: Dominic Podsiadlik (12) and Joesph Synakiewicz (12) dance and sing as the Blues Brothers. They had the crowd laughing with their signature dance moves.

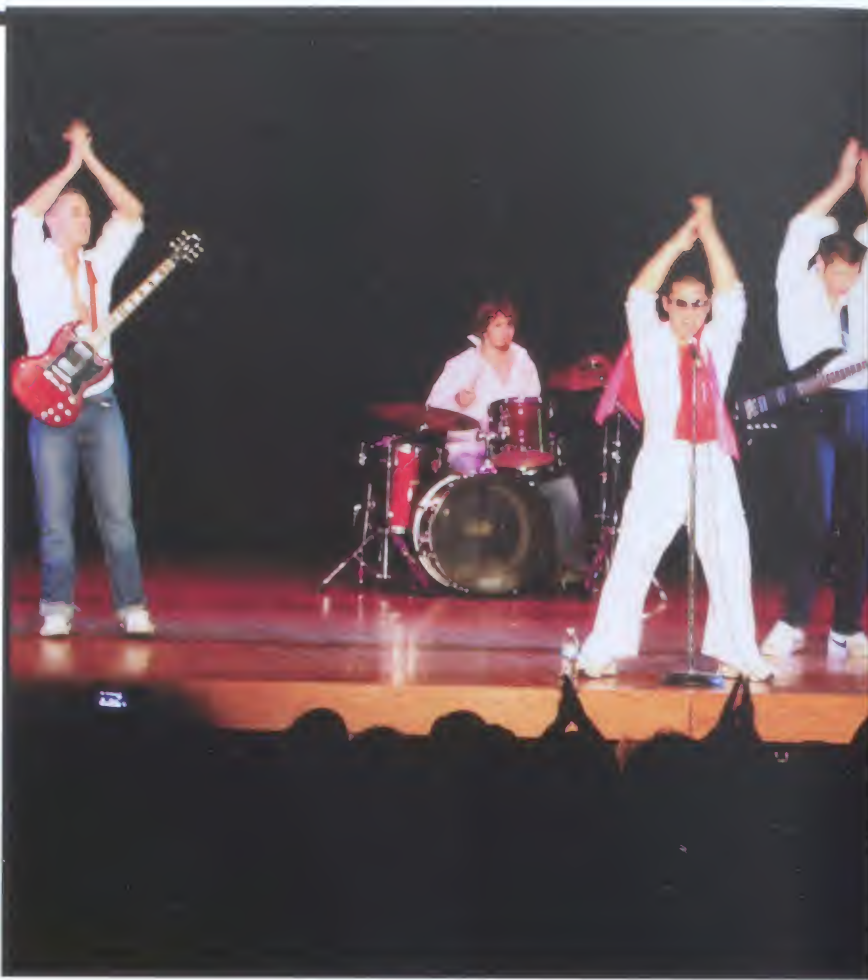
4.

be faithful: Allison Mender (10) finds her way back to God during the Word of Life skit. Her shirt turned from black to white as she learned to look to God for help.

5.

be jazzy: Madison Carrol (11), Jack Whittle (11), Matthew Smith (11), Russell Batty (11), and Alexander Masleid (12) play during the Blues Brothers performance. A couple of them performed solos and impressed the crowd with their improving skills.

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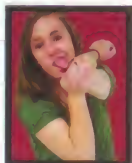


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"I started doing head-stands when I was five, and I would do it forever until my head felt numb. The first time I tried it, I lasted for about five minutes, and then I just did it all the time. It was fun," *ashley wojcik (10) said*

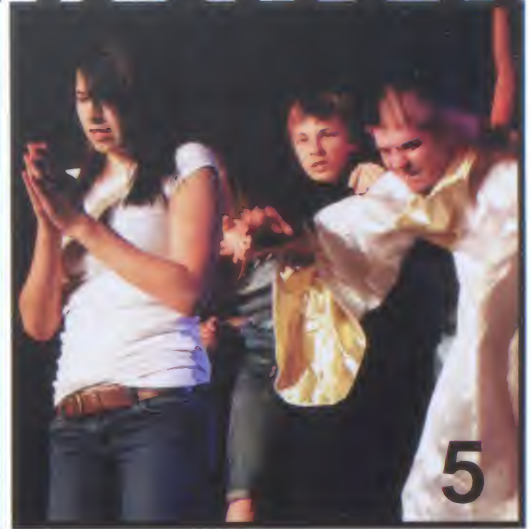


"I was in lunch, and I said 'oh, I can lick my elbow' and I just did it. It hurts my shoulder if I do it all the time. The first day I discovered I could do it, it hurt a lot," *paige neighton (10) said*



"I draw anything that comes off the top of my head. I write stories of friends and funny situations. I love Japanese anime, and I used to try to draw like them. I'm also known more as a writer," *amanda souronis (12) said*

talent show



jack of all trades



David Walters (11) and Jacob Egli (11) performed a combined seven acts at this talent show.

"I didn't have a favorite act. Any chance to sit down and play music with friends is a lot of fun," Egli said.

Walters agrees that all of his acts were lots of fun, and he plans to do even more than his three acts this year.

"My solo I did on my own time. For the duet we met every week at my house, and the skit we just met after school about five times," Walters said.



David Walters (11)

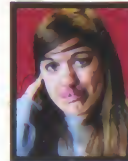
Jacob Egli (11)



"It was an Australian horn, and I saw it at a Renaissance Fair I went to. At the time I was playing the trombone, but then I taught myself how to play the horn. The horn itself was as tall as I am," *Nicholas Elizalde (10) said*



"I can stick a recorder up my nose and play the flute at the same time. I just decided to try it, and it happened. The two things I can play are 'Mary Had a Little Lamb' and 'Hot Cross Buns,'" *Lauren Wadas (9) said*



"Last year, one of my friends asked me if I could do it [lick my nose], and I could. People ask me to do it all of the time now," *Leanne Norman (9) said*

graduation



a final goodbye

friends, family, classmates I know, classmates I've never seen before, teachers, administrators, school board members, employees of this large building, and those of you who just realized that the Hannah Montana concert isn't tonight... thank you for coming. Tonight, we move forward to the next stage of our lives, the stage of independence, the stage where our parents are no longer there to pamper us... sorry mommy. But before we can move on, we must remember how we got to this point.

Four years ago we began a new chapter in our lives. We entered high school as awkward, confused adolescents, and four years later we are leaving as... awkward, confused adolescents. But we have learned a lot during our time at Lake Central. Every one of our lessons was a new chapter in our book of life. Before we add new chapters, however, let us first look at the old ones. Let me take you back through our L.C. chapters...

Chapter One: Friendship. Friendship would be one of the themes of the past four years for all of us. Many of us have formed lifelong friendships... which will be over in about two hours. But really and truly, the people who matter most will stay in your lives.

Chapter Two: Regret. At first glance, the things we regret can appear as negatives, but when we take a holistic view of everything, we form a different opinion. We are not meant to go through life mistake free. We all screw up occasionally... some of us more than others: this is the essence of our humanity. But we can learn something from our mistakes.

Chapter Three: Competition. Don't ever let anyone tell you that something you made, that something that defines you, that who you are is not good enough. None of us are the same, and too often we forget that. We are so concerned with conformity that we lose sight of who we really are. Class of 09: I will leave you with the lines from Hamlet which Mr. Fredrick repeated to all his seniors on their last day, and honestly I can't say it any better: "This above all; to thine own self be true, and it must follow, as the night the day, thou canst not then be false to any man." Never forget who you are. Thank you and good luck.

adam scriver (12) said

"Well at 2:09 last Friday, the class of 2009 finally completed high school. Congratulations! Change is in the air. Everywhere around us there is talk of change... change in climate, social change, economic change, political change and global change.

In the midst of all this change, we find ourselves marking a major change in our lives, today. Over the last 12 years, we have changed. Teachers thank you. With all the knowledge you gave us, our attitudes changed, our skill-levels changed, our ways of thinking changed, the way we interacted with each other changed and ultimately how we saw the world and ourselves changed.

As shocking as it may sound coming from my mouth (and for those of you with video cameras please take them out now), Life is NOT all grades! As important as academics are (and they certainly are); it is not just the knowledge, but the decisions we make that will show our qualities. Such qualities are persistence, integrity, honesty, courage, service, a drive to succeed along with responsibility and accountability for one's actions. All are worth their weight in gold yet are all too scarce in our ever-changing world today.

One final word to the class of 2009, Norman Vincent Peale said, "Throw back the shoulders, let the heart sing, let the eyes flash, let the mind be lifted up, look upward and say to yourself... Nothing is impossible!" Let's go and change the world for the better."

*Shloka Kiri (12) said
the editors*



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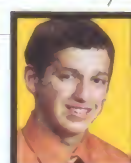
"I was sad beyond words to graduate high school. As much as I want to take the next step in my life, I don't want to leave behind the simplicity of high school and Lake Central."

monette lakowski (12) said



"Graduation is bittersweet experience, because even though we are starting a new chapter in our lives, we are leaving some of the best times and friends behind."

allie rasmussen (12) said

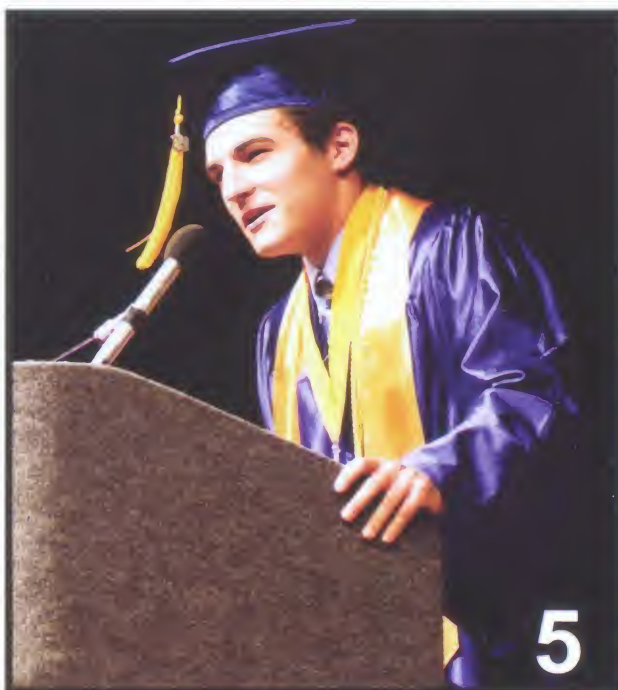


"I'm excited to leave high school. I guess I'm kind of sad at the same time because of the memories, but I'm ready to move on and start life."

josh jones (12) said



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1.

be in song: Kevin Badten (12), Mitchell Anthony (12), Joseph Synakiewicz (12) and Zachary Adamczyk (12), part of Da Capo, perform "In Whatever Time We Have." Along with Da Capo, the Counterpoints also performed at the ceremony.

2.

be graduated: After walking across the Star Plaza stage, Shloka Kini (12) receives her diploma from Mrs. Val Lozanoski, school board member. Kini was valedictorian.

3.

be anticipating: Sarah Shaw (12) sits among her fellow graduates. Awaiting her diploma, wearing a gold medal and gold cord, Shaw sat in the Summa Cum Laude group.

4.

be seated: Seniors take their seats in the Star Plaza as they wait for the rest of their classmates to file into the auditorium. Graduation was held June 8 at 7 pm. The ceremony lasted one hour and 42 minutes.

5.

be a speaker: Salutatorian Adam Szcwiiw (12) presents his speech to the graduating class and audience. "Do not wallow in regret, but use it to direct your life in the right way," Szcwiiw said.

6.

be proud: Nathan Lozanoski (12) shares a hug with his mom, Mrs. Val Lozanoski after she gave him his diploma. Lozanoski's mom was able to hug him on stage as she was one of the board member who was handing out diplomas.

teacher goodbyes

to the class of 2009

"Best of luck class of '09. Work hard and have some fun along the way,"

"Out of the 26 years, I've been teaching this has been one of the top groups of my teaching career. Good luck class of '09,"



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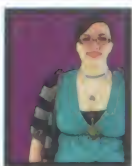
"I'm excited for summer to start, but I'm upset to leave high school. It has been the best four years of my life."



"I'm glad high school is over, but at the same time I don't want it to end. High school has been great and a fun-filled experience."



"High school has been an exciting time, but I'm excited to go away and start the next chapter in my life."



"Working on *Beauty and the Beast* is a blast, I've never more excited for a show. I am the make-up designer for the Beast. When the Beast dies, everyone gets teared up backstage,"
Kayla Greenwell (11) said



"The *Beauty and the Beast* is my second production here at LC. I work the lightboard. Opening night was really exciting, and the production is one of the craziest things I have ever been apart of,"
Kyle O'Connor (9) said



"I helped to make costumes. It was hard, but so much fun. [Working on *Beauty and the Beast*] was fun and amazing. It was one of the best plays that I have ever been in,"
Mary Pellegrini (10) said

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1. **be focused:** Zachary Adamczyk (12) and Joseph Synakiewicz (12) receive instructions while performing at rehearsal. During tech week, they were able to get in full costume for rehearsal.

2. **be loud :** Christy Paulauski (12), Emily Watson (12), and Mitchell Anthony (12) sing during their first performance. They made up a few of the characters who had been turned into inanimate objects because of the Beast's curse.

3. **be graceful:** Raina Zona (11) and Tyler Mills (11) dance at the opening night of the *Beauty and the Beast*. Their performance received a standing ovation.

4. **be vociferous :** Emily Hogg (11), Shannon Jones (12), Kevin Badten (12), and Chelsea Keith (11) cry on stage. The cast practiced for weeks to accurately play their characters and sing their songs.

5. **be entertaining:** Grace Calderone (10) and Kelly Bourget (10) portray the little teacup, Chip, and the teapot, Mrs. Potts. The characters were eventually freed from their spell by Belle.

6. **be amusing:** Zachary Adamczyk (12) and Mitchell Anthony (12) argue on stage during their first performance. The characters were contemplating the consequences for disobeying their master.

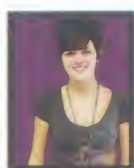


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"This is my 15th and last show, and the only time I have been crew. My parting quote- 'When dealing with theater, be bold and never let anybody keep you from doing the best you can.'"

william jarvis (12) said



"I do costumes for the production. When working on Belle's dress, we used a mannequin and sewed the dress into it. Then we cut the mannequin apart and hot glued it back together."

brittany massie (11) said



"This is my fifth production here at LC. I am always crew. This time I am set construction and a stage hand. What I love about tech is seeing something I created on stage during the production."

joeseeph maguire (12) said

be *entertaining* be *dedicated* be *unique* be *whimsical* be *dramatic* be *intense*

working together to tell a *classic*

March 6 was the opening night for the spring musical, *Beauty and The Beast*. The first performance received a standing ovation, and was graced positive reviews. The cast had to arrive hours before the curtain was opened. The goal was to work together in perfect synchronization.

"I think everyone worked hard. Even the people that didn't have a big role still tried hard to get into their part. Everyone puts their hearts into the production, and it's such a privilege to get to be with such great individuals," Raina Zona (11) said. Zona played Belle in the musical.

Weeks of preparation went into only six performances. The crew of *Beauty and The Beast* created each set prop, and fashioned together almost every costume, beginning two months before opening night. Rehearsal for cast went three days a week, and then two weeks before opening night, every day from five to nine.

"It was a lot of work and, honestly, it took a long time to get everything to come together. A lot of us have really good stage chemistry," Tyler Mills (11) said. Mills played the Beast, his thirteenth character in an LC show.

Each performance was collaboration at its finest. Everyone, not just the cast, worked like the gears inside Cogsworth - each person doing their part so everyone else can. The crew moved the sets and managed the sounds, lights, and cast maintenance while the cast kept up the pace, accurately acting out their part, remembering lines, and striking the right notes.

"It was one of the best experiences I have had so far. After the show, little girls would come up to me and ask for my autograph. It's a good feeling knowing people liked watching something that you love to perform," Zona said.

Through all of the work involved and all of the stress, the cast and crew bonded together. According to Mills, it all paid off in the end.

"It's really cool to get good feedback. I remember, one of the most touching moments was when an elderly woman came up to me and told me that I did a great job and that I should keep going in theater. I thought it was kind of a sign," Mills said.

When everything was over, and the production gave its final bow, they realized that there really was "something there that wasn't there before."

"At the end, we all became a family," Zona said.

chris perez & jen gamboa

musical

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freshman focus on *Brian Bandura*

"I have been performing on stage since I was 5 years old. I remember I bombed my audition for *You're a Good Man, Charlie Brown*, but after my first performance in *The Music Man* I remember loving it. I have since been in *Scrooge the Musical*, *High School Musical*, *The Beauty and the Beast*, and *Hard Candy*. I've taken acting and singing lessons. I love being on stage. I plan on doing as many shows as I can here at Lake Central. Over spring break I went to New York. I want to move there when I am older and pursue a career in musical theater and acting."





"I was a stage hand, but with this show, I had many more responsibilities. The fact that I helped my upperclassmen, who directed, get their artistic visions out on stage to their liking, was satisfying."

andrew ballou (9) said



"My first time teching was a little intimidating at first. But after a few days, it was easier and I really enjoyed myself. Opening night was very memorable. We were all excited to pull off our first show."

melissa deyoung (9) said



"My first time teching was a challenge at the beginning, but it got easier as time went on. In the beginning, I kept trying to get a director to notice me so I could find out where to start. It was hilarious."

alexander rodine (9) said

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the reality of dreams

"Thanks, everyone, for making this show one of the most fun, most completely random plays we'll ever do in our time here at Lake Central!"



Daina Dangerfield (11) and Grant McCormick (11)

creeps by night

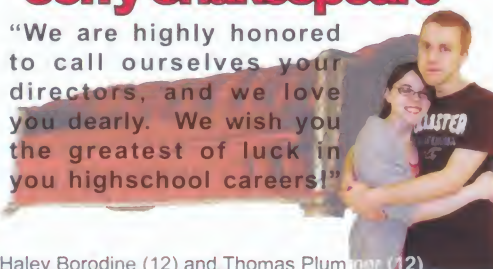
"We would like to thank all of the cast member of Creeps by Night. You guys have done a wonderful job and we hope you continue on with Lake Central Theater."



Sean Beach (10), Rachel Guiden (12), and Ryan Beach (10)

sorry shakespeare

"We are highly honored to call ourselves your directors, and we love you dearly. We wish you the greatest of luck in your highschool careers!"



Haley Borodine (12) and Thomas Plumhorst (12)

hard candy

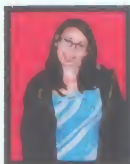
"Our cast went above and beyond any expectations we had for this show. We had a very special cast and were able to bond. Thanks to everyone who supported our show from beginning to end, it meant the world to us. Oh, and... goldfish!"



Brooke Carnahan (11), Jonathan Kowalski (12), and Chelsea Keith (11)

messages from the directors





"I learned a lot from the upper-classmen directors and the freshmen who have done shows before. We all had to hand off props and we just basically would have fun and just mess around with them," *samantha batres (9) said*



"Learning new things and making new friends was loads of fun. The techies made our own handshake I will never forget. We would clap our hands and say, 'GO! GO! GO! TECHIES!'" *noemi hernandez (9) said*



"Learning the ropes was cool. I did lightboard. After opening night, the cast and crew went out to Old Country Buffet. It was so fun. Eating pancakes for dinner at 11 p.m. was the best," *megan jones (9) said*

be a performer be excited be bold be charismatic be enterprising



opening night

frenzy

Imagine you are an actor in a play. You are backstage, waiting for your cue. The lights dim and the crowd's voices hush to a lull, only a brief moment stand between you and your performance. The introduction music begins and inside you feel both terrified and thrilled; time freezes. And then you walk on stage. It's opening night for the Freshmen Plays, and it's your very first Lake Central performance. You begin your lines that you have rehearsed countless times before, and everything after favorably falls into place.

"Opening night is when all of the tension finally explodes. You ask yourself, 'Did I practice right?'" And then you tell yourself, 'Okay, we practiced everything and it's going to be great,'" Alexandra Dumezich (9) said. Dumezich played a snappish, cantankerous old aunt in the thriller *Creeps By Night*. "But in the back of your head it's like, 'Am I going to forget my lines?'" Dumezich said.

The Freshmen Plays are the main opportunity for interested ninth graders to become theater savvy, and are entirely student directed. They rehearse for months, learning improvisational games and acting techniques, where then the untold time spent practicing culminates into the first showings. The freshmen experience a flood of emotions and energy at the first show, the opening night frenzy, but if they can learn to channel it they learn what it is to be on stage.

"Opening night puts so many emotions on the cast. When our music came on we were all backstage dancing, trying to control our nerves," Anthony Perez (9) said. Perez played a multilingual employer in the comedy *Hard Candy*. "When I started walking out I was so nervous. They [the audience] started laughing at my lines, and it was then I got settled in with my character," he said.

Joining *Creeps by Night* and *Hard Candy* in the one-act lineup were the entirely original "The Reality of Dreams", written by Grant McCormack (11), and the jumbled up *Sorry Shakespeare*.

"It was the highlight of my freshman year. I'm glad for the Freshmen Plays. Closing night was very exciting and very sad, but afterward you get the chance to go into bigger roles. You bond with everyone and make friends. I love all of them," Perez said.

chris perez and jennifer gamboa

9th plays



1.

be clever: Danielle Walters (9) fools her voodoo loving aunt, Alexandra Dumezich (9) and butler, Robert Starks (9). Her caretakers fall for her trap, thinking she has a connection with a voodoo god, Baron Samedi.

2.

be directed: Salvatore Parmigiano (9) gets stage instructions while the cast of *The Reality of Dreams* receives tips behind the curtain. The freshmen plays were entirely student directed.

3.

be proud: The entire cast of the freshmen plays bows before an applauding audience after their final performance. For some, it was the first but definitely not last show.

4.

be emotional: Amy Rupp (9), Alexi Lewis (9), and Sal Parmigiano (9) practice their emotions on their last rehearsal before opening night. The first time actors engaged in many improvising exercises to hone their acting skills.

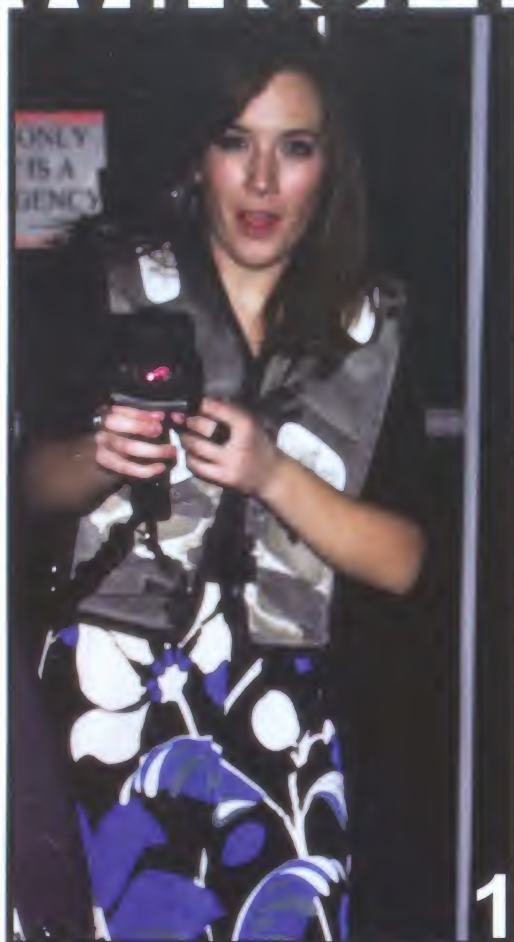
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be seductive: Olivia Birlson (9) and Brian Bandura (9) rehearse for their play, *Hard Candy*. In this scene, a provocative interviewee wins over his employer to secure his new job at Banff Enterprises, America's number one supplier of toilet paper.

6.

be conniving: Meagan Sipiora (9) and Ashley Smith (9) discuss their plan to get revenge on their friend, Nick. The two vixens tricked him into thinking that everything they did to him was just a dream.

winter formal



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first time for breathalyzers



Daniel Tirado-Barbauld (10)



"The breathalyzers were not bad, they were real quick, and they didn't affect anything with Winter Formal,"

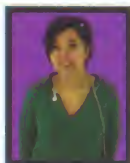
benjamin parchman (12) said

"I wish someone would have taken a picture of me; it was faster than I had expected, but it was also a buzz kill,"

angela gallagher (12) said



formal be energetic be graceful be excited be ready be posed be



"When my boyfriend and I did the 'Casper Slide' was the best part. For about two weeks before formal, he had refused to do it. When the song came on, he willingly danced,"

leigha swetzer (11) said



"The best part of Winter Formal was the dancing because I like to dance, and it was fun just being with my friends. I hope to go to Winter Formal next year too."

matthew tellus (10) said



"The best part would probably be the dancing, the appetizers and the ride up to Chicago at the Grand Luxe Cafe. Since it was my last formal, it was probably the best one."

george fotopoulos (12) said

formal *laser tag*

While many students were preparing to go to Winter Formal, a few students were preparing to go laser tagging.

"We weren't really excited to go to Winter Formal, so we decided to have a change of plans. We would get dressed up and go laser tagging," Laura Herman (11) said.

The group of about 20 students decided to get dressed up. Ten of the girls wore dresses, three of the guys wore top hats, two girls wore camouflage, and two girls wore sweats to go against the crowd.

"Everyone else in our group wanted to dress up, but I didn't want to wear a dress. I mean how can you dominate in laser tag wearing a dress? So Michelle Sweeney (11) and I decided to dress up in all camouflage. We went all out and even had war paint," Rachel Madsen (11) said.

The group seemed to arrive in a convoy of five cars, and got many odd looks for their extreme clothes.

"When we walked in Brunswick Zone, the whole place looked at us. We stuck out like a sore thumb," Madsen said.

"It was really funny when Milana Katic (11) started a Dance Dance Revolution game with these guys that were amazing at it; we were all watching but she lost terribly," Lauren Resendiz (11) said.

The group played four rounds of laser tag within a few hours and went to McDonald's at midnight.

"The funniest moment was when I realized that I had been holding the gun backwards in the first game, and I still received one point, one more than Katic," Erin Myers (11) said.

The group intends on having another crazy plan instead of going to Prom.

larie reynolds & michelle sweeney

1. be ridiculous: On the night of Winter Formal, Devin Moore (11) plays laser tag with friends. They decided to play laser tag in dress up clothes instead of going to Winter Formal.

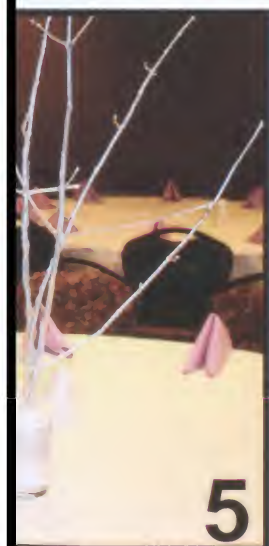
2. be close: During Winter Formal, David Scasny (12) and Brittany Wooden (12) share a slow dance together. Scasny said, "Just being with my girlfriend was the best part."

3. be recognized: Katie Gindl (12) accepts the bouquet for winning Winter Formal queen. She had accepted the crown from Mrs. Elizabeth Hasan after winning by popular vote.

4. be confused: Students line dance during Winter Formal. They were clapping their hands together to the song "The Casper Slide."

5. be helpful: Early Saturday morning, before Winter Formal, Samantha Gindl (11) sets tables with other N-Teens members. She was helping to set up the centerpieces.

6. be valuable: Some freshmen, including Megan Rademacher (9), lend a hand at Winter Formal by working the coat check. Towards the end of the dance, the girls were allowed to go in for their help.

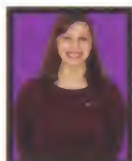


ring all night **be up-beat** *be bubbly* **be pumped** *be hopeful* **be dressed**



"It was good because it was my senior year and my last Winter Formal. I had a lot of fun because I was with my friends, and I went with a good group of people."

patrick griffin (12) said



"We got a limo and drove it around Chicago and decided to play truth and dare, and Bill Jarvis (12) was forced to take the dare to lean out the window and get the next person's number that we passed."

jana richardson (10) said



"I went to Formal to have a good time, and I did. The best part of the night was just dancing and having a good time. I can't say that one part was the best because the whole night was just a blast."

katherine gergets (11) said



fall play shows life is *wonderful*

After two days of grueling tryouts and hard work, the time has finally come for the cast list for the fall play. When you see your name next to the lead's name, you start to lose it - because you've never had a lead before. Combine that feeling with the idea of working with a new director, and you can see what the leads of the fall play, *It's a Wonderful Life*, experienced.

"When I saw [my name] I just kind of stood there and laughed because I was so surprised," Milana Katic (11), who played Mary Bailey said. Katic, who had been involved in the 2008 musical *Grease* previously, said that her new role came with a lot of additional responsibility. "I feel like I had more responsibility and needed to be serious."

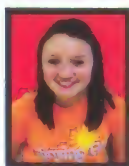
Another one who felt the call of more responsibility was the new director, Mr. Ray Palasz, English. With the regular director, Mrs. Pamela Neth, English, out on maternity leave, it was up to him to keep the theatre company up to par. "I ended up having to spend much more time on the show as the main director," Palasz said.

Having a lead for any student can be challenging, but a freshman was given the opportunity to have a lead. Matthew Shute (9) portrayed the kindly angel Clarence Odbody. Shute, who had been involved in theatre previously in middle school, said that the key to his new position was time management. "I really just had to set aside a lot of time to study my character and my lines," Shute said. He also had help from the other actors on set. "I really looked up to the older actors in the play and learned from them."

The theatre company performed the show during the first two weekend in November. "The production was well-received by the audience," Palasz said. "We received a lot of compliments afterwards." While opinion may be unanimous on the play, Palasz is not so sure about whether he enjoyed his regular technical director spot or main director more. "I don't know," he said. "I just really love theater."

emily hogg & cesar pulido

fall play



"I thought it was cool how the characters came to life instead of just watching the movie. It seemed like it was actually happening rather than the actors just following a script."
brittany jones (10) said



"The cast of *It's a Wonderful Life* was really able to bond and form one big group. This energy really helped to enhance the show. We all had a great time at practices and at performances."
brooke carnahan (11) said



"The show was awesome, the cast did a great job capturing the message conveyed from the movie. It was a great way to start the holiday season."
danielle gronosa (10) said

in the *background*

"Christy [Paulauski (12)] was cast as an old lady, so I made my townsperson an **old woman**, too. Then, we started trying to do old lady voices and picking up old lady antics, like **developing Alzheimer's**. Her old lady name was Helen, and mine was **Betty**. Helen's nickname was **America**, because she's beautiful, and mine was Crocker... kinda like **Betty Crocker**. We were best friends in the play, even though she dated my boyfriend, **George Washington**. Even though we were in the background, **we had a lot of fun.**"

emily watson (12) said



1. be anxious: Robert Starks (9) delivers good news to the crowded Bailey living room. Starks was one of five freshmen in the production.

2. be proud: Evan Stahr (11) and Milana Katic (11) take a bow at the conclusion of the play. This play was both their first time in a leading role.

3. be angry: Evan Stahr (11) questions Grant McCormack (11) about the location of his money. McCormack portrayed Stahr's uncle.

4. be confused: Matthew Shute (9) explains to Evan Stahr (11) why he is there and who he is. This scene opened up the play.

5. be curious: Mariyah Balthis (11) asks Evan Stahr (11) about a discrepancy in the records for his business. This show was Balthis's first time performing.

6. be interested: Evan Stahr (11) and Milana Katic (11) become closer during a phone call. "Being a lead is very different from being in the chorus," Katic said.

be in the spotlight be dramatic be vibrant be talented be a thes



"I was at the play every night. I loved it. There were some parts that were really good and some parts that were bad, but overall I really, really loved the play."
Mary Pellegrini (10) said



"I liked it because it was a change of pace because it was interesting seeing some newer, fresher faces."
Charles Evans (11) said



"It was a pretty good production, but I missed some of the older cast members."
Mark Rottger (11) said



"Even though we lost, homecoming was a great experience. It was a good way to start my senior year."
Karina Valdivia (12) said



"I thought homecoming was really good this year. There was a lot to do and it was fun and exciting."
Michelle Unhock (10) said



"I went to the game, the dance and then to my friend's house. It was the best homecoming this year."
Luis Oswaldo Ramirez (11) said

be groovy be spirited be loud be excited be crazy be insane be like

homecoming day



keep tradition

Homecoming is a time to create tighter bonds within new friendships or already existing friendships. The bell rings at 2:09 and students cram into cars and buses ready to hustle to one another's houses to get ready for homecoming day. Whether you're getting ready with a few friends or gathering at a house party to get ready, you'll create memories to look back on and traditions to follow.

"Ever since freshmen year, Rachel Guiden (12) and I make t-shirts together, go to the football game to wear the t-shirts and go out for pizza with a huge group of friends," Anna Mangiaracina (12) said.

Spirit week is also a time for all students to bond together and to show off school spirit in the craziest ways. As a student body, we have many creative individuals, just look at Kelly Forbes (10). Forbes made her hair stick straight up with a water bottle in her hair for crazy hair day.

"I was just bored one day with my friends and we were goofing around and I had a water bottle so I wrapped it around with my hair and tied it together. So for crazy hair day, I decided to do just that," Forbes said.

Teachers had their fair share of fun as well on Spirit Week. The social studies teachers dressed up for Formal Day with outfits ranging from well suited tuxes to beautiful, silky dresses.

"The Social Studies Department really didn't plan to do formal day. We all just happened to dress up for Formal Day on Spirit Week. We are just that cool. It's great to show school spirit," Mrs. Rachel Underwood said.

Homecoming week lightens the atmosphere with artistic spirit days that unites the student body together. Whether our team wins or not on homecoming, everyone will have a memory to cherish.

tiffany pavlovic & kristi bowen

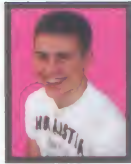


- 1. be traditional:** "Indians" burns brightly as a good luck ritual before the homecoming football game starts. The tradition started with the cross country team running to light the fire.
- 2. be untamed:** Kelly Forbes (10) participates in crazy hair day with a water bottle tied in hair. "I was proud to be one of the few students who actually did crazy hair day," Forbes said.
- 3. be loud:** Senior girls stand front row waiting for the anticipated game to begin. "My friends and I all got ready together and enjoyed the game and the dance," Jeanette Delatorre (12) said.
- 4. be aggressive:** Students cheer as the football team breaks through the banner and runs out on the field. The cheerleaders chanted to energize the team as they ran out.
- 5. be colorful:** Zenon Mills (11) dresses out of the ordinary for spirit week. "I thought it was a lot of fun! And not many people were expecting a tie-dye suit," Mills said.

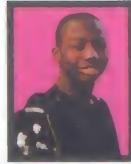




"My friend had a party at his house. I went to the party after the game. I dressed up for sports day and blue and white day,"
robert repass (12) said



"I just went to homecoming to chill out. It was a fun, chill night,"
andrew lasky (9) said



"I went to the game and dance, and I thought it was pretty cool,"
keron stewart (9) said

ly be expressive be creative be involved be happy be original be true



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social studies department
goes
formal

"I think spirit week is great for school. I wish we had more of them," Mr. Ralph Holden, Social Studies, said.

"Social Studies Department rocks. We have the most school spirit, and if the teacher's don't show it, the student won't either," Mrs. Teresa Zentz, Social Studies, said.



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homecoming dance



making it *count*

homecoming is the only dance that all classes are allowed to go to. It is a time to celebrate the school and show school spirit. Yet, this dance is not given high regards by the student body.

"My favorite part of the dance was leaving," Kaitlyn McCourt (10) said.

Not all students shared McCourt's opinion. Some students seemed to think the opposite and noticed those students who did enjoy themselves.

"The seniors had a really good time. They had a huge mosh pit. It was fun to watch them. Other than that the dance was not all that exciting," Kali Pittman (11) said.

For the most part the homecoming dance was ruled by seniors, especially the senior girls. They made the best of it for their senior year. "My group of friends were just going to make homecoming shirts but it turned into the whole class," Kristy Swets (12) said.

The group of girls had over 80 t-shirts made under such a short period of time, but the shirts themselves caused a lot of drama.

"They were supposed to be our friends' group shirts yet the senior girls thought they were for everyone, it caused a lot of chaos," Amanda Pyrz (12) said.

Overall the girls had a good time and the night was great final homecoming. The whole school all came together to have a memorable night.

"The dance was fun because all my seniors were there. It was a nice way to start off the year even though I had to endure SAT testing in the morning," Pyrz said.

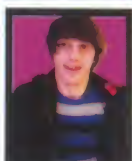
vivien schremp & arielle morris



be spirited be excited be energetic be happy be carefree be outgoing



"I had a great time; experience, it was a nice way to start off Junior year,"
taylor saulesbury (11) said



"It was so much fun, I danced my little heart out. I was basically dancing with myself. All around it was a C+,"
anthony calabrese (12) said



"Three words: hot and sweaty,"
leslie reeves (11) said



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homecoming: love it or hate it?



"I didn't go to homecoming because all my friends did something

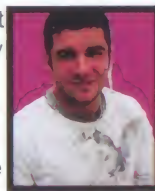


"This was my first year as a football trainer. It was so much fun. Even though

different from homecoming and we had a lot of fun," Samantha Reid (11) said.

we lost, it was really nice to see all the football players trying to have a good time,"

"I did not go to my senior homecoming because I was broke as a joke," Eric Turman (12) said.

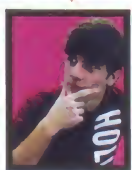


"I thought it was cool, because I made people crowd surf by picking them up and throwing them," Philip Gorman (12) said.



1. **be cheerful:** Members of the Centralettes line dance to the Cupid Shuffle. The team had a good time dancing together for fun.
2. **be loved:** George Scalchas (12) and Jessica Willis (12) show their new dance moves for the rest of the school. They enjoyed dancing with the rest of their peers throughout the night.
3. **be excellent:** Brian Williams (12) break dances in front of his peers. All night long Williams was busting moves no one knew he could do.
4. **be spirited:** Paulina Kounelis (12) and friends dance the night away to their favorite tunes. After the dance was over many had to make their way home for the SAT in the morning.
5. **be funny:** Byrne Dempsey (12) and Kyle Scheffel (12) show off their slow dancing skills while the crowd cheers them on. Once they broke the ice, many other students started to slow dance.
6. **be wanted:** Kyle Pratt (12) surfs across the large crowd during the dance. Pratt was not the only student to attempt this courageous stunt during the dance.

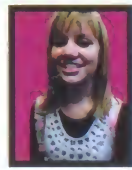
be spirited be playful be involved be loud be cheerful be funny



"It was the best night of the year so far. I do not think I have danced with so many people in my life," joshua berwanger (10) said



"It was straight, tight, baller. It was just fun. We had a good day, cheered our team on and then got rowdy," ryan rodriguez (12) said



"It was a lot of fun; a lot of people with school spirit. It was the best homecoming I have been to yet," maryah balbus (11) said

be recognized

Find yourself. See how you match up against the rest. Stuck in crowds of more than 3,140 students it's astounding sometimes to even find yourself.

■ Start off the first of four years with a bang. It's time to figure out if you're going to be a Varsity basketball player, one of the flutes in the marching band, or another fan in the crowd.

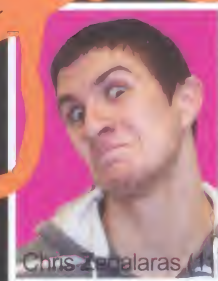
■ Stuck in the middle. Let's face we don't have that much to look forward to. Sure, getting our license is pretty sweet, but what else is there? It's up to us to find our place in this school and own it.

■ Almost there. Between taking the SAT's and the beginning of our college search, it's time to really start enjoying these last high school years. How will you be remembered?

■ The final stretch. We're taking our last steps down E-hall, eating our last lunches in the cafeteria, and taking our last crazy drives out of the parking lot at 2:09. No matter if our path keeps us in state at Indiana University or it leads us off to the military, we walk off the Star Plaza stage with a diploma in hand and four years of memories we'll never forget.

■ Most days we're followed with bad connotations of being the barers of five page term papers and long reading assignments in the Norton Anthology of English Literature. We're always around, though, with dreaded grades, voices of reason, detention slips, and words of guidance.

**“Find yourself.
See how you match up
against the rest. Stuck in
crowds of more than
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Chris Zedalaras (11)

Karla Balaz (9)



Erin Ward (12)

Shawn Beach (10)



Ryan Rodriguez (12)

Alissa Gawinski (11)



Hannah Park (12)

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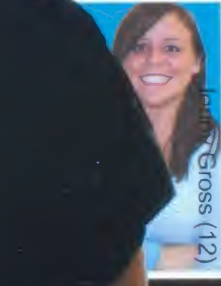


Kyle Ayersman (9)

Nicholas Rossiano (10)

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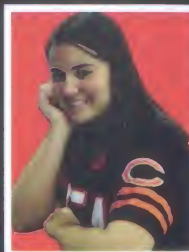
be deliberate be outgoing be energetic be me

I want to be

recognized

"Singing is my favorite past time and will hopefully be apart of my future. I am a well rounded average teen who loves to sing and be athletic. My hobbies include horseback riding, acting, and singing in choir. My goal throughout my high school experience and apart of my career after, is singing. American Idol has always interested me, and I can't wait to get my chance to audition. I would love the opportunity to audition my junior and senior year, and hopefully be lucky enough to win. I would also consider myself very friendly, and I want people to know that they can come up to me for just about anything. I'm the type of person people can count on, and I would like to meet as many people as I can. Helping others and getting the satisfaction of a job well done is one of my goals in life. After high school, I would love to hold a charity concert to raise money for a good cause or foundation. Being recognized, to me, isn't just about having people know what you look like, it's about having people know who you are, and what you stand for, which is way more important in life."

meagan sipiora (9) said



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Mitchell Ackerman
Cody Adams
Nicole Adams
James Adduci
Ana Alavanja
Kristen Alexa
Sidney Algozine



Alexander Alvarez
Andrea Alvarez
Alyssa Amescua
Collin Anderson
Sarah Anderson
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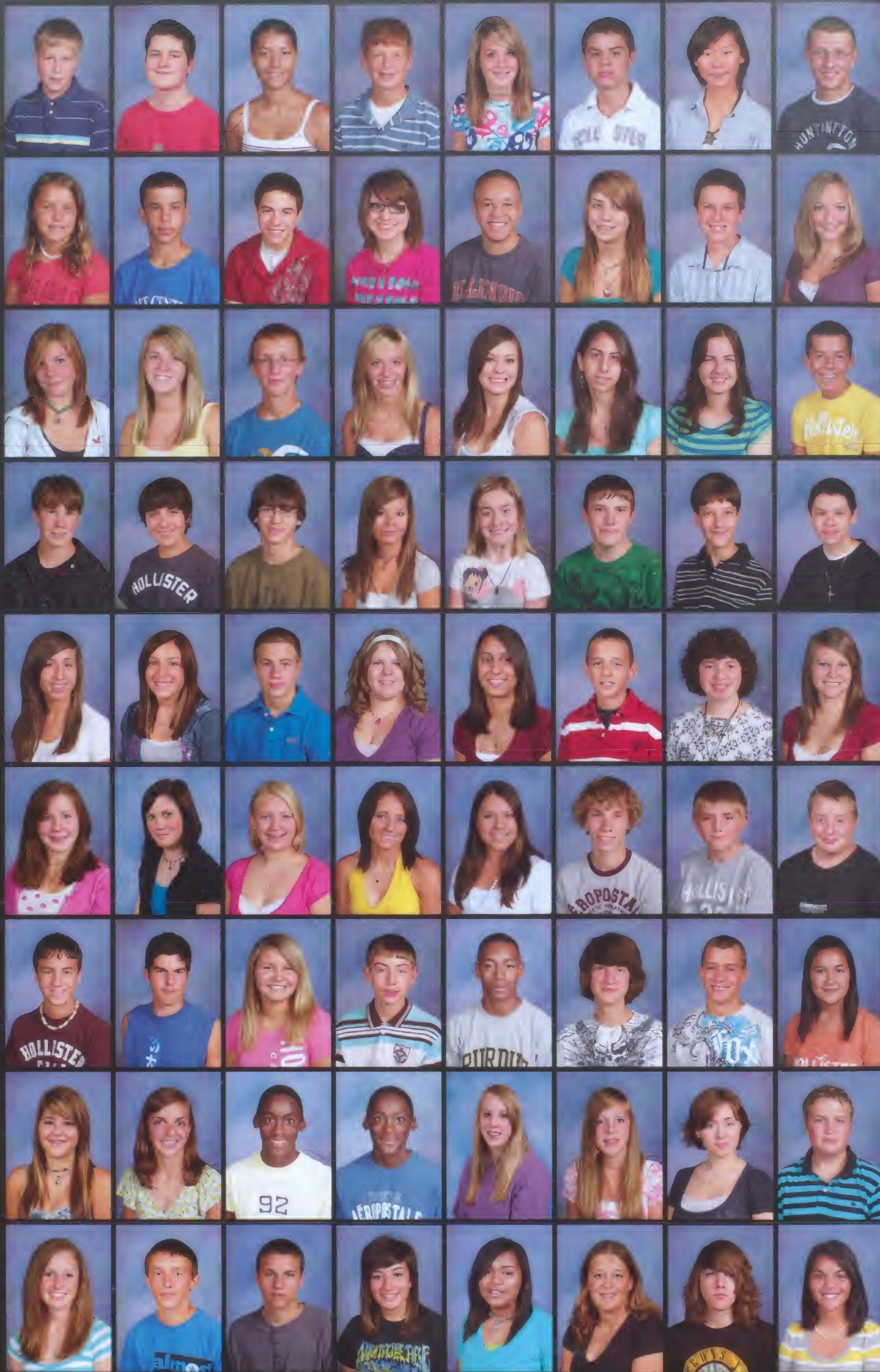
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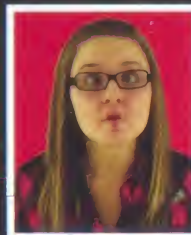
be sarcastic be swimmer be outgoing be original be

I want to be *a marine biologist.*



I really want to be a marine biologist or an interior decorator. I want to be a marine biologist because ever since I was a little kid, I have loved the ocean, and I have always wanted to live by one. If I don't end up being a marine biologist, I would want to be an interior decorator because I am always looking for a way to redecorate and style my room. I plan to go on the marine biology trip to Florida sometime throughout my high school career. I think it sounds really cool, and I know it would be a great experience for me. I will get to see if that is really what I want to do with my life. If I still want to be a marine biologist after I graduate, I will probably go to a college somewhere in Florida. But if I plan on being an interior decorator, I will probably just stay around here and go to Purdue Calumet.

amanda palkovich (?) said



Ariel Geise
Elizabeth Gellert
Jeffery Genender
Zachary Gentz
Angela Gerlach
Rachel Giese
Panagioti Gikas
Ryan Gindl



Lorenzo Giovane
David Giza
Marc Gjeldum
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Taylor Griffiths



Aaron Grove
Julia Grzywana
Alexis Gutierrez
Zachary Hadarich
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Bryan Haluska
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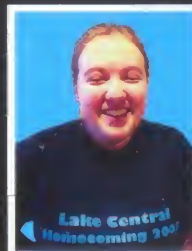


be prepared be smart be determined be advanced be

I want to be studios

"I would like to advance academically in high school. I can do this by working harder and taking AP classes. I want to be more prepared for college, so I can have a good career. I'm still not sure what I want to do in college. I probably want to go to Indiana University because my cousins went there, and I like the campus. I'll work towards that by studying more often in math. I'm taking Algebra right now. I have to work on English a lot. I want to get better grades this year and in the following years of high school. Later on in high school, I probably want to take English and science AP classes. I don't study right now, so I want to study more, which will help me get better grades and be more studios. I'm going to study for finals because it's my first time taking them. I'm pretty nervous for them, and I'm worried about my English final. The thing that makes me different is that I have a positive attitude towards school, and I have a positive attitude for achieving good grades, and I encourage my classmates."

alexahughes (9) said





Amy Hecimovich
Kurt Heerema
John Hemmerling
Cody Hemphill
Emily Hendrickson
Brandon Henrikson
Pedro Heredia
Ashley Hernandez

Ivan Hernandez
Noemi Hernandez
Victor Hernandez
Hayley Hero
Michelle Herrmann
Keith Hickok
Madeleine Hiemstra
Rebecca Hill

Ryan Hilmer
Ryan Hilt
Ryan Hodges
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Margaret Howe
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Matthew Huesca

Alexa Hughes
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Holly Hum
Cameron Inch
Brian Inglese
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Furdose Issa
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Olivia Jallo
Meghan Janich
Steven Jarrett
Nicholas Jensen
Bogdan Jevtic
Alec Jimenez

Casey Johansen
Cyara Johnson
Arrianna Jones
Daniel Jones
Megan Jones
Steven Jones
Alec Joy
Megan Jubera

Nicholas Jukes
Sami Kadam
Emily Kakol
Jason Kalbac
Michael Kalinich
Jessica Kaminsky
Matthew Kamykowski
Michael Karcz

Brian Karwatka
Dana Katsenis
Caitlin Kearns
Joshua Keith
Kyle Kelley
Daniel Kelly
Grace Kelly
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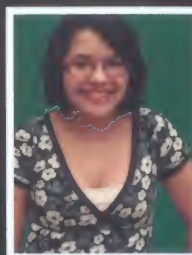
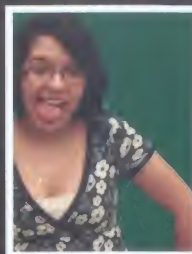
be *funny* be *outgoing* be *fun* be *sized* be *loud* be *weird* be

I want to be

a photographer

Hopefully [I will be] a good student, a role model to others, maybe become involved more in clubs, take a variety of classes, like photo and when I'm older, peer mentoring, because I love working with people and people with disadvantages. I hope to learn all the skills I need to one day become a photographer. The reason why I want to be a photographer is because I love art and making people smile. I also love editing pictures and making them picture perfect. I would like to photograph newborn babies, models, and nature,

angel makowski(?) said



Ryan Kluck
Rachael Kobus
Karlene Koebecke
Jennifer Kohan
Rajko Kolundzic
Stefani Kolundzija
Kaitlin Konieczka
Christopher Konopasek

Steven Koster
Danielle Kowalewicz
James Kowalski
Jacob Kozel
Adrienne Kristevski
Nicole Kristin
Erik Krol
Troy Kropp

Jessica Krull
Megan Kuechle
Brooke Kuersten
Paige Kuersten
Sarah Kulik
Danielle Kulina
Stephane Kunovski
Danielle Lakich

Marisa Lareau
Robert Lauerman
Aleksandra Lazic
Jessica Lecea
Lisa Lee
Taylor Lehnert
Dayna Less
Matthew Leveque

Katie Lewis
Jacob Lippe
Danielle Littrell
Jamie Livingston
Paden Long
Brandon Lopez
Mercedez Lopez
Susana Lopez





Thomas Lozanoski
Ian Lucas
Alissa Ludwig
Kyle Lugo
Robert Lydick
Ashley Machnikowski
Adam Madsen
Alyssa Madsen

Angel Makowski
Randy Maksimik
Noah Malm
Thomas Maloney
Mitchell Maluchnik
Colin Mancera
Kate Mangiaracina
Zachary Mantel

Jelena Marcic
Anthony Marlow
Victor Marmolejo
Lauren Marsee
Kristopher Martin
London Martin
Alyssa Martinez
Hannah Mason

Natasha Massie
Samantha Matusik
Allan Maupin
James Maynard
Cameron McCambridge
Jeremy McDermott
Gina McDonnell
Fredrick McGee

Ryan McGillen
Jennifer McIntire
Sean McKinley
Brandi McKinney
Sean McNabney
James McNamara
Maeleigh Mecozzi
Matthew Meinhardt

be *entertaining* be *friendly* be *helpful* be *legendary*

I want to be *successful*

I want to be known as a guy that lives my life to the fullest. I want to be as useful to all my friends. I want to find my professional calling. I want to be more friendly to all the people who normally I'd never talk to. I want to be quicker to getting to what I need to be done, since I procrastinate more than any person I know. I want to be able to manage my homework and study time better so I'm not always so mixed up. I want to be able to keep all the friends I have now until the end of high school, and if things change, I want to be able to go along with it. I want to be able to get in a prestigious college in which would help me so much with getting into to that certain job for whatever that might be. I want to be less wanting of materials so I can save some cash. I want to be able to pay all of my mom's debts. I just want to be as successful as possible after high school.

cody adams (9) said



SCHERERVILLE

Brianna Melendez
Carla Meyer
Walter Michaels Iv
Joshua Migler
Bryan Mika
Michael Mikelinas
Jacob Miklusak
Zachary Miklusak



Samantha Miksich
Kristen Milbrath
Emily Miles
Christina Miljevic
John Millard
Tabitha Millard
Emma Miller
Martin Miller



Suzanne Milligan
Laura Mills
Maxwell Mills
Cynthia Mirkov
Joshua Mirowski
Marisha Miskus
Steven Monroe
Jazzmine Montanez



Christopher Moon
Dylan Morang
Robert Morin, Jr.
Daniel Morsovillo
Adam Moskalick
Jonathan Muffett
Natalie Mularski
Drake Mulcahy



Suzanne Mulligan
John Mullins III
Dominique Munoz
Courtney Myers
Ellen Myers
Nicholas Myers
Amanda Nacovski
Trevor Nagy



Julienne Nanay
Elena Navarro
Cameron Neely
Jenna Neyhart
Joshua Niewiadomski
Allyson Niksich
Christopher Niksich
Johnathon Noonan



Leanne Norman
Robert Northam
Daniel O'Connor
Kyle O'Connor
Timothy O'Connor
Blaine O'Neill-Perez
Michelle Okerstrom
Allen Olshavsky



Heather Olson
Nicole Olson
Aaron Oskam
Ryan Pachowicz
Emily Paganelli
Marisa Palacios
Amanda Palkovich
George Papanikolaou



Salvatore Parmigiano
Anthony Partacz
Dominic Pascale
Daniel Paschen
Jay Patel
Nathan Pawelski
Larry Payne
Elissa Payonk



be *delicious* be *organized* be *on stage* be *a tennis star*

I want to be *involved*

"I know I want to play tennis, and I want to be in the musicals. This year, I'm in the musical *Beauty and the Beast*, and it's been really fun. It's pretty different for me, since I've never done anything like it before. All the people in theater are really fun and crazy and nice. I'm excited to be on stage in front of an audience. I want to meet a lot of new people during high school as well. It was fun going into class on the first day of school and not knowing that many people. Summer gym also really helped with meeting people, since I didn't know anyone. I want people to know me as someone who's nice and friendly to everybody. I also want to become more organized because my stuff is all over. My locker's really messy, and I can never remember where I put stuff. I'll put homework and worksheets in a random folder, and then I'll never see it again. I want to explore every club and group and find something I like to do because I have no idea what I want to be when I grow up. The first part of my freshman year has been so fun, and I like it so much more than middle school."

angela gerlach (?) said



Matthew Payonk
John Peoples
Benjamin Peppin
Angela Perez
Anthony Perez
Bryan Perez
Candice Perez
Cristina Perez

Ramiro Perez
Brittany Perry
Kathryn Peterson
Lindsay Peterson
Kelly Phares
Clarissa Pinto
Alec Plasencia
Alexis Plasencia

Peter Plessas
Jacob Pluskis
Sarah Pokraka
Blas Polak
William Pollatis
Frances Pollaro
Kara Polus
Brandon Poninski

Darian Porterfield
Jenna Pritchett
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Robert Pruitt
Rebecca Pucik
Kayla Quattrochi
Jillian Raab
Elizabeth Racich

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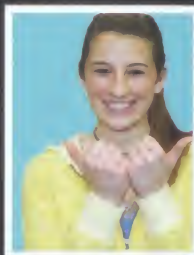
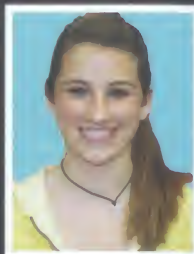
be outgo be curious be fun be happy be peppy be



I want to be *hardworking.*

"I am on the color guard team, and by my senior year I would like to become captain. I have been in colorguard for four years. I think the best part about colorguard is going to the competitions and performing the show you have been working so hard on in front of a big crowd. I want to be work hard academically to get into the top ten percent of my graduating class of 2012. I think what a big motivation for me is knowing that there are so many other people in my class and I have to work hard to get in the top ten percent."

renee vukelich (9) said



Kaitlyn Ranieri
Ashley Raynor
Jeromy Rech
Ryan Rech
Omar Reed
Ronald Revis
Lucas Rey
Ashley Rhein



Hanna Rhoades
Jacob Rhone
Kaitlin Richardson
Manuel Rios
Paul Rippe
Joshua Risley
Kyle Ristich
Robert Robertson



Glenn Robinson
Jasmine Robinson
Rebecca Rodgers
Luis Rodriguez
Matthew Rodriguez
Ryan Rodriguez
Daniel Rojas
Rosilio Roman



Zachary Rose
Dustin Ross
Robert Ross, Jr.
Marcus Rosselli
Brett Roush
Kimberley Roverts
Kyle Royster
Paul Runyan



Amy Rupp
James Russo
Kyle Ruthrauff
Christina Rybicki
Danica Sadural
Yiannis Sakelaris
Alex Salgado
Alberto Sanchez





Jonathan Sanchez
Ami Sanghvi
Will Sasaki
Rebecca Sawicki
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Ricardo Scartozzi
Katherine Schafer

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Alexander Schindler
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Allison Schmitt
Jordan Schoon
Bobbie Schroeder
Zachary Schuch
Dieter Schultz

Kyle Schulz
Brittney Seapan
Shannen Sebahar
Collin Seren
Karan Sharma
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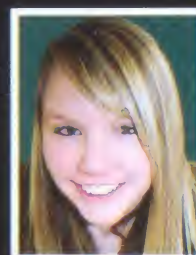
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Jessica Smith
Samuel Smith

be well known be friendly be social be benevolent be

I want to be

By the end of my high school career I want to be more outgoing. I want to meet every single person in my grade, at least once. Over the past three years, I went to Kahler Middle School for the first two and a half years and Clark Middle School for the second half of my eighth grade school year, so I know most of the people in my class, but there are still many people I have never even met. Sometimes I walk down the hallways in the freshman center, and I notice people I have never seen before. It makes me wonder where those kids come from. I want to know their stories. These kids have something to give me, and I have something to give them. I want people to know who I am, but most of all, I want them to tell me who they are. Everyone is different, and I love to meet people who are interesting. At my high school graduation, I want to be able to wave goodbye to everyone. Freshman year is just my start to meeting everyone is the 2012 graduating class,

madeleine huemstra (9) said



Taylor Smith
Holly Sobun
Laura Sokolowski
Daniel Somodi
Adrian Soto
Millicent Sprouse
Eric Spyrka
Kyle Stancy



Eric Stanger
Robert Starks
Phillip Stefanak
Brandon Stefano
Erica Steliga
Kevon Stewart
Nicholas Stickle
Sarah Stidham



Stephanie Strempleski
Paul Strubing
Benjamin Stutler
Ashlee Sullivan
Sofija Suvoesmakovic
Thomas Swope
Tyler Szczecina
Aiman Tadors



Aaron Tanis
Katherine Tar
John Tarrant
Elizabeth Tegtman
Timothy Tellas
Holly Thackston
Jill Tharp
Brianna Thomas



Maximillian Thomas
Alex Thompson
Emily Thompson
Tamara Thompson
Kyle Throne
Tiffany Thupvong-Huckaby
Sarah Tiller
Krista Tobin



be fun be goofy be spontaneous be strong be

I want to be a record setter

"I want to be a varsity swimmer and set a school record. I know that if I want to be able to get a record I will have to work harder and be self motivated. We practice a lot we have morning practices at 5:00 a.m. almost every day and afternoon practice every day too. During winter break we had double practices almost every day, too. Even though it's a lot of practices, I still like it a lot, and the swimmers get really close because of all the time we spend together. I really want our team to make it to state this year. Older swimmers have told me how much fun state is, so I really want our team to make it state so the freshmen can go. I also want to eventually make it individually to state. The record I want to get is the 100 breaststroke, which is my best event. If I do get the record, it would mean a lot to me because when I swam when I was littler, I always wanted to get a record, and the current recorder holder was a really good swimmer and has more records, so I know breaking it would be a really big accomplishment."

jill tharp (?) said





Andrew Tocci
Nicole Toler
Marko Tomich
Abigail Toren
Monica Torres
Kevin Trembach
Randall Trembacki
Christopher Trevino



Allie Tribble
Amanda Trichak
Taylor Triemstra
Denah Trogden
Haralambos Tsiakopoulos
Brookelyn Tucker
Carter Tuerff
Kathryn Turnlund



Cecilia Urquiza
Kyle Uzubell
April Van Milligan
Emily Vander Velde
Kalie Vanderbilt
Logan Veldkamp
Kyle Velgos
David Verdeyen



Carla Villa
Drew Vos
Ashley Voss
Alexandra Vuckovic
Alexandria Vuckovic
Kristina Vujanic
Lauren Wadas
Austen Wagoner



Logan Walla
Alexia Walls
Caitlyn Walters
Danielle Walters
Joseph Wangercyn
Monica Wartman
Brittany Warzyniak
Alice Wasyłowsky



Anna Weber
Matthew Wellinski
Cody West
James West
Corey Westerman
Danielle Wiggins
Kyle Wiggins
Taylor Wilkie



Brittany Williams
Randy Willis
Corinne Wilschke
Kyle Wilson
Matthew Wilson
Erik Wirtes
Brianna Wise
Richard Wisniewski



Sarah Wittorp
Stephanie Wojcik
Aaron Wojton
Allen Wopinski
Michael Yadron
Michael Yarusinsky
Jessica Youngs
Emily Yuratovac



Ronald Zega
Ashleigh Zendzian
Brian Zimmer
Bethany Znavor
Tyler Zuccarelli
Alyssa Zysko

Indira Abanto
Susan Abbasi
Michael Abdulqader
Kristie Adams
Nicholas Adams
Taylor Ahlgrain
Mohammed Al-Khalidi



Amanda Albin
Anthony Albomonte
Zachary Alvarado
Patricia Alvarez
Anastasia Amanatidis
Megan Anderson
Courtney Andrews



Nicholas Anthony
Allison Anton
Ashley Applegate
Chadd Arnold
Kennan Arvay
Lauren Ashenbrenner
Elizabeth Avalos



Hailee Babusiak
Troy Babusiak
Michelle Baczowski
Paulina Baczowski
Catherine Baginski
Danielle Baker
Raymond Baker



Chelsey Banasiak
Emily Banning
Gilberto Barajas
Jessica Bardoczi
Tiffany Barker
Cody Barnes
Jonathon Barnes



Mark Barnes
Araceli Barrientez
Ian Bartlett
Adam Bastie
Arianna Batistatos
Ryan Beach
Shawn Beach



Anna Beggs
Madeline Benavides
Aliesyn Benedict
Leslie Benitez
Jacqueline Berg
Jessica Berg
Joshua Berwanger



Patrick Biancardi
Meghan Blais
Sarah Blanchard
Camille Bobelenyi
Megan Bogie
Ashley Booker
Jennifer Booker



be playful be eccentric be energetic be amicable be

I am a bowler

“Bowling is fantastic. The thing I like the best about bowling is that it’s fun and competitive at the same time. I started bowling when I was about eight years old, and I’ve stuck with it ever since. I bowl each Saturday morning on a league with friends and being in the competitive atmosphere helps prepare me for matches. Bowling is like any other sport even though many don’t see it as a sport. My yearly goal is to average at least 200 and to improve my approach. My long-term goal is to bowl a 300. My love for the game makes me a bowler like a painter’s imagination makes them an artist. A bowler is anyone who bowls just because they love it; a person doesn’t have to bowl professionally to be a bowler.”

hannah nava (10) said



Tyler Bork
Jessica Bouma
Kelly Bourget
Sean Boyle
Trevor Bradtke
Chad Brandt
Jillian Brandt

Nicole Brann
Nicholas Broertjes
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Bryon Brumm
Frankie Burchett

Adam Burke
Ryan Byrne
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Grace Calderone
Gretchen Calderone
Kameron Caldwell
Michael Campbell

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Micheal Capriglione
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Branden Cash
Mitchell Cavanaugh
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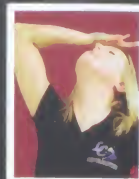
be *passionate* be *on count* be *graceful* be *powerful* be *flex*

I am

passionate

I started dancing when I was three years old. I was infatuated with the tu-tu, so I told my mom I wanted to be a ballerina. I dance for the Varsity Lake Central Centralettes and M2 Dance Company. I used to dance for the Indiana DanzForce and the Indiana Youth Ballet Company. On the Centralettes, we are currently doing jazz and hip-hop. On M2, we are working on ensembles, which is just a group of a few dancers. I've been to Nationals and State for the Centralettes, and Nationals for DanzForce. I've been in the Nutcracker and Peter Pan for ballet. I don't think, as a label, dance is a sport. What we do is both artistic and athletic, in creating art with our bodies,

chelsey sanasiak (10) said



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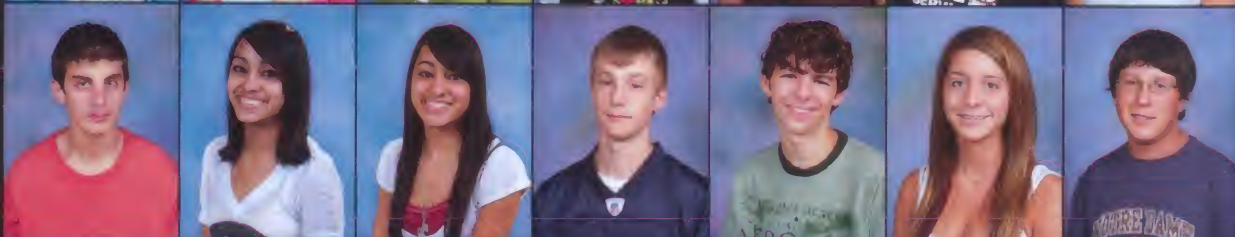
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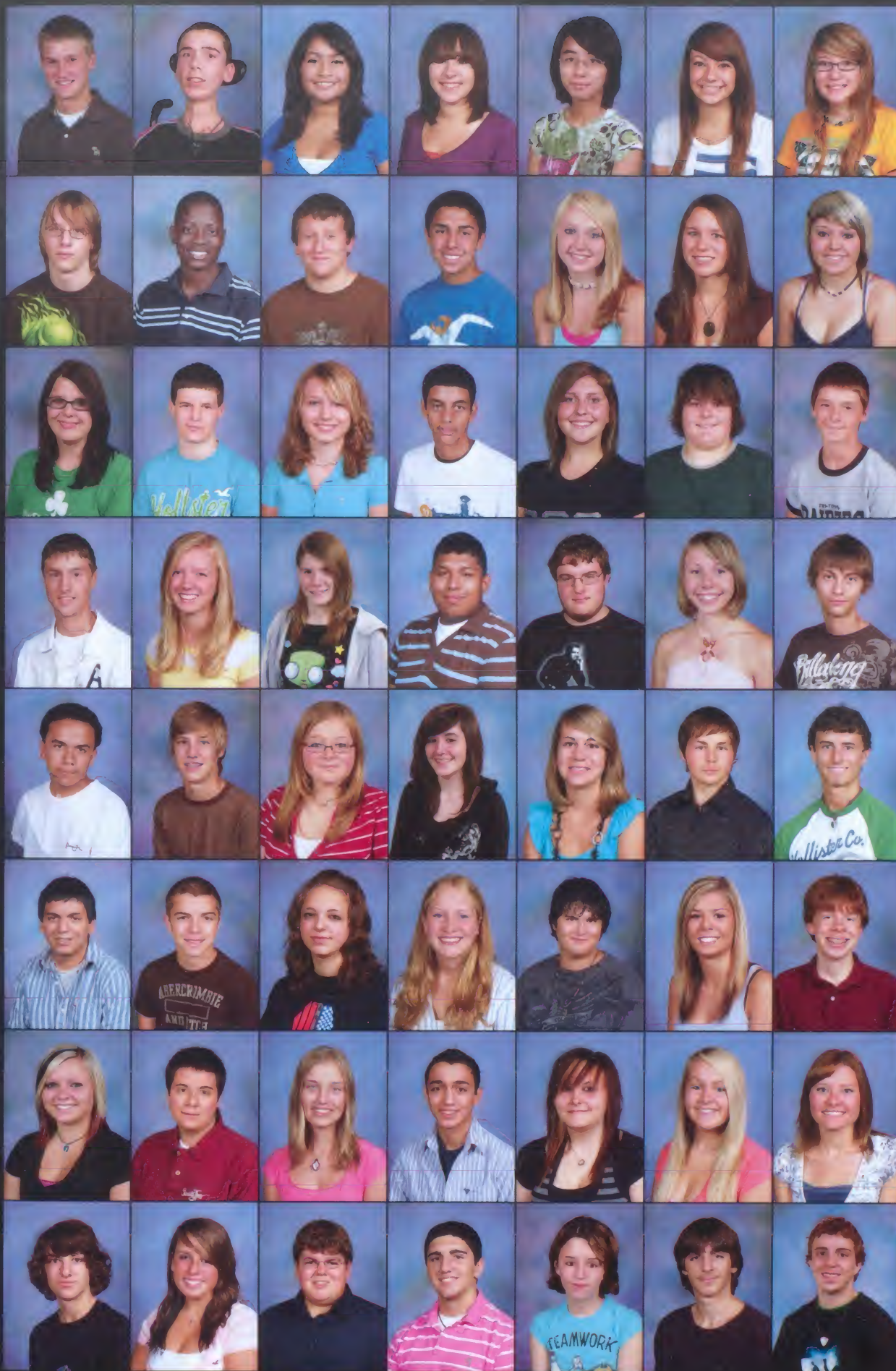


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James Davis
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Brinna DelSangro
Daniel Deluca



Evan Demaree
Scout Demir
Carlo Demma
Jordan Dernulc
Ashley DeSantiago
Ryan DeYoung
Michael DiCicco





Kyle Dickelman
Joshua Diebel
Diana Dieguez
Kathleen Dienes
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Jenna Dimopoulos
China Ding

Mathew Dittmann
Kevin Dix
Michael Dobbelaere, Jr.
Ryan Dobos
Allison Dockweiler
Sara Doherty
Sarah Dolniak

Faith Donovan
Neil Doppler
Biljana Dosen
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Cody Dykema
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Stephanie Haddad
Carly Ham



Stephen Hanyzewski
Emma Harowski
Michael Harretos II
Sydney Hartwell
Alissa Harwood
Jessica Haskins
William Hays



Kristen Hearne
Ryan Hebda
Joseph Hejl
Kenneth Helderman
Alexander Hernandez
Rebecca Hernandez
Kaitlyn Herrmann



Eric Hickok
Michael Hill
Peter Hoff
Julie Holme
Tara Homans
Joseph Horgash
Marissa Horta





Brittany Horwath
Brian Hudi
Amanda Huesca
Nathan Huizenga
Brenden Hulett
Alyssa Ippolito
Ibraheem Ismail
Husam Issa

Jumana Issa
Natalsha Ivanov
Jerry Jackson
Kaitlyn Janich
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Rodolfo Jaramillo
Daniel Jessup
Jeremy Jessup

Steven Jevdovic
Mario Joffre
Brian Johnson
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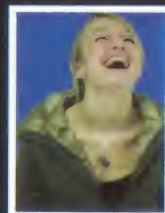
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Jee-Hyun
Kim-Chiang
Rebecca Kimberly

be remembered be a legacy be unique be yourself be in

I am different.

I am on the road to becoming a hard core scrapbooker with my aunt being my core inspiration. Some of my favorite things to do are shopping, basking in the sun at the beach, and just acting absolutely crazy with my friends. I enjoy theater, dance, and piano. Playing the piano has been one thing I have been doing since I was five, but in the last few years, it has become my obsession. I am heavily involved in my church, Living Stones. Also I am a part of the Word of Life Bible Club. One thing I notice, is that some kids act like high school will last forever. They forget, someday, they will have to take on real life, real responsibility. I want to leave this school remembered. I don't just want to walk through the oh-so-famous Lake Central doors for the two years I have left without making an impact. I want to leave a legacy for the lower classmen. My dream is for everyone to know and believe that there is a way out of the pain and hurt. The way out is salvation,

sarah steelt (10) said



Ashley Klein
Ryan Kogut
Marko Komazec
Justin Kookan
Nick Kopischke
Joseph Kountz
Alyssa Kovich



Caitlin Kowaleski
Katie Kozy
Steven Krause
Nicole Krstulovich
Michael Kruse
Kristen Kuechle
Glenn Kurtz



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Jordan Lane
Anthony Langland
Genoa Larcher
Arlene Lee



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Stephen Letz
Devon Lewis
Nabil Liddawi
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Samantha Livingston



Pedro Lodise
Margaret Logan
David Lopez
Adam Loya
Connor LuBecke
Michael Luff
Trayson Luna



Samantha Lunsford
Megan Lynch
Jessica Lyza
Braden Macak
Marina Magnabosco
Michael Majchrowicz
Brandon Malachowski



Michael Mamrila
Panagiota Manousopoulos
Matthew Marino
Jake Markiewicz
Brittany Marlett
Tiffany Marquiss
Corey Marsh, Jr.



Jason Marshall
Danny Martinez
Homero Martinez III
Nicholas Martinez
Taylor Martinez
Michael Matakovic
Nicholas Matthews



be *active* be *caring* be *honest* be *creative* be *stylish* k



I am adventurous

When people think of me they think big purse and big sunglasses. I can agree. I'm obsessed. I have different colors and styles to match my outfits. I'm an active girl, I'm on Lake Central's golf team and my favorite memory from the past season was playing in the Hall of Fame Tournament in Richmond, IN. Other than golf, I like water and winter sports including: wakeboarding, water and snow skiing, and snowboarding. I've been water skiing since I was eight and do it every year, it's so much fun. Over winter break this year, I went to Wisconsin and learned how to snowboard for the first time. It was difficult, and I fell a lot, but the pain was well worth it. I also went snow skiing, but it's not as difficult because it's not much different than water skiing. In my spare time I hang out with friends, watch movies, listen to music, and shopping is always a favorite. I would describe myself as a creative, active, shy, honest, funny, and caring girl,

Jennifer Pufahl (10) said



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Megan McCollum
Lauren McCormack
Kaitlyn McCourt

Colleen McElmurry
Matthew McGuire
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Christian Medina
Adam Meeker
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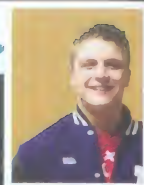
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be *inspired* be *dedicated* be *tired* be *athlete*



I am *an athlete*

"I'm in three varsity sports: football, swimming, and track. I was in varsity swimming and track my freshman year. I've been playing football since 8th grade. We start practicing at the end of June, and we weight lift all year-round. Swimming starts in November and ends in February. Swimming is the hardest sport, by far. Track starts in March and goes on until the end of May. I started running track in 6th grade. I'm usually busy all the time. If I could make it to college playing any of my three sports, I would do it."
edward willis (10) said



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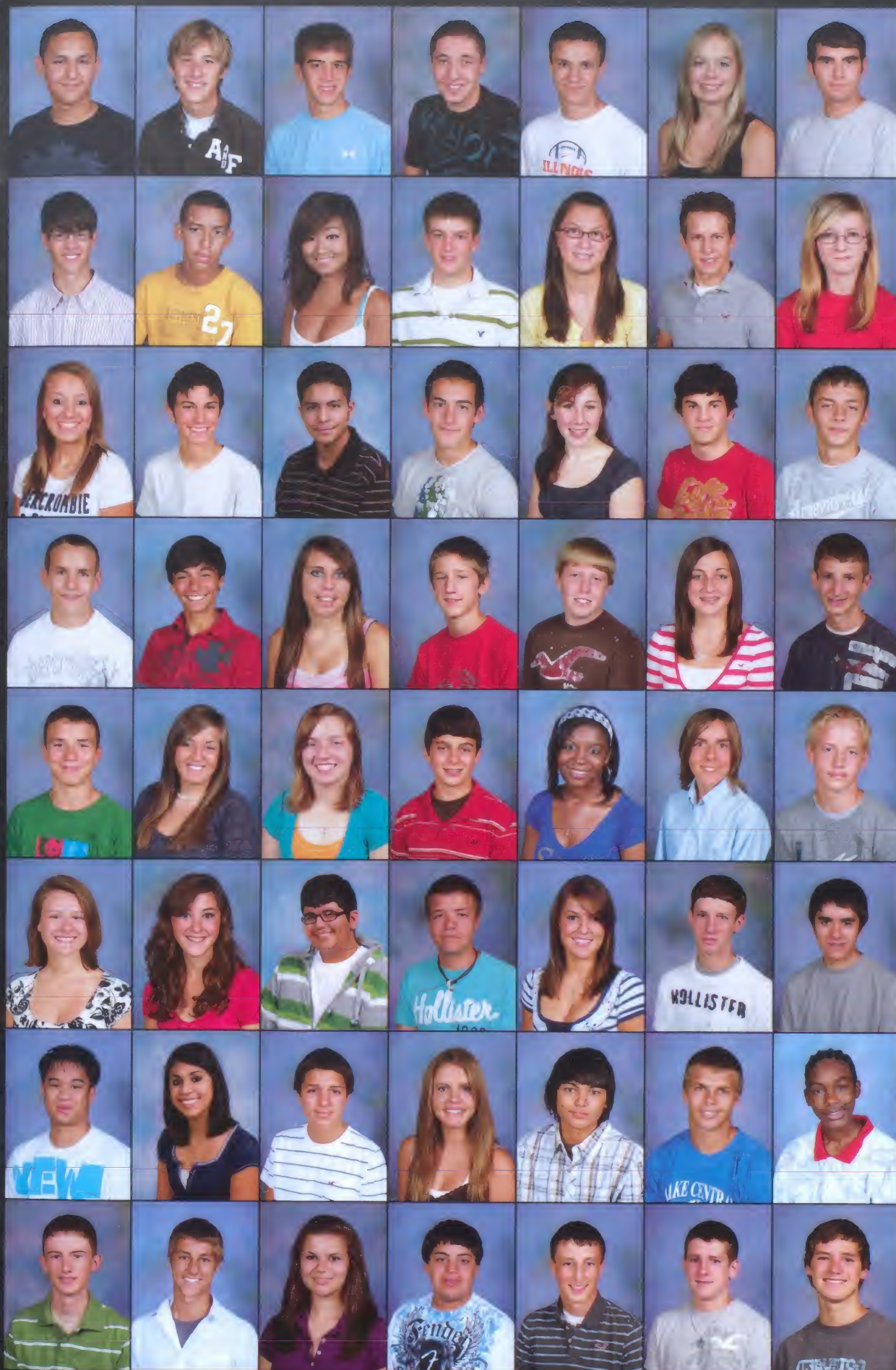
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Stephanie Nydam
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Brandon Pittman
Ashley Plaut
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Alexander Plys
Kelsey Poby
Brooke Podowski
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Thomas Prendergast
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Kirsten Puent
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Cesar Pulido
Christopher Pyle
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Alex Race
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Elizabeth Ramos
Nikola Ratic
Samantha Rechlicz
Ryan Recupido
Tanner Redlarczyk
Carl Reed

Zachary Rees
Shane Reinsimar
Miroslava Repak
Jesse Resendiz
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Matthew Reynolds
Michael Reynolds

Jenna Rhoady
Marcella Ricciardi
Gianna Richardson
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Robert Rigg
Jorge Rinconeno
Andrew Ritchie



Francesco Rizzo
Alexander Rodriguez
Brian Rodriguez
Francisco Rodriguez
Joshua Rodriguez
Lisa Rodriguez
Paul Rodriguez



Nicholas Rossiano
Amalia Rosu
Steven Roviato
Davide Ruffolo
Jacob Runyan
Ashlee Russell
Zachary Ryba



Steven Rynne
Christian Saavedra
Jonathan Salazar
Michael Sammon
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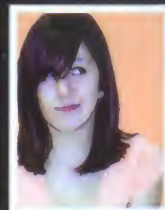
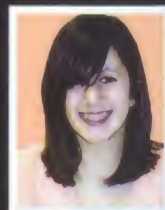
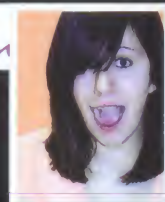
be *musical* talented be *friendly* be *eccentric* be *strong*



I am *active*

"I am so busy in this school it's ridiculous. I'm in tennis, band, Winter Drum Line, Student Council, Dollars for Scholars, and Photo Club," Emma Harowski (10) said. Lake Central is filled with athletes, musicians, leaders, and artists. Tennis might seem small compared to everything else she is involved in, but in her mind there's nothing small about it. "My parents have played tennis since I was really young, but I rejected the sport until I was 11 or 12. I liked playing at LC more than at a tennis club because I made so many new friends, the whole team got really close, and it was just a great experience," Harowski said. Harowski has legitimate reasoning behind all this madness. "I want to figure out what's really important to me in high school, so I don't have to make any big mistakes later on. I haven't made that much of an impression on the world yet, but I will."

emma harowski (10) said





Jennifer Schafer
Kathryn Schillinger
Matthew Schneider
Kelsie Schultz
Jonathan Schulz
Joshua Schutte
Eryn Schweiger

Ashley Scott
Sarah Scott
Megan Scruggs
Nicole Sebahar
Michael Sebastian
Amanda Sefcik
Justin Seiber

Kara Seman
Andrew Semethy
Patrick Shanahan, Jr.
Trisha Shanahan
Feraus Shatat
Devon Shaughnessy
Catherine Shaw

Jordyn Shields
Justin Shields
Zachary Shutoski
Douglas Siedelmann
Henry Siedentopf
Peter Silman
William Sisk

Jennifer Sitko
Mallory Sivak
Sorsha Skrundz
Robert Slevnik
Alexander Sliwa
Emily Small
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Christopher Smith
Jacob Smith
Jessica Smith
Nicholas Smith
Taylor Smith
Kyle Snoreck
Autumn Snow

Teryn Solan
Samantha Sommer
Anthony Sorensen
Angel Soto
Ryan Sparring
Tomislav Spehar
Jillian Spivak

Joshua Spyрка
Stephanie St Amour
Kali Stageman
Sanela Stanic
Ariauna Starks
Lori Stasinski
Matthew Staton

be a *layer* be *outside* be in space be *adventurous*!



I am an astronaut

It's the only camp of its kind in the country. Anybody can come. It's a program for anybody who wants to learn about any aspect of space. It teaches you to come up to challenge using teamwork. For as long as I can remember, one of the most interesting things about going to camp is meeting people that you have never met before, learning the difference of what its like in certain areas, and just to make friends that might not have ever been to the same state as you,

Jennifer Magnabosco (10) said



Sarah Stedt
Rachel Steele
Megan Stepanian
Sally Stepanian
Natasa Stojanovic
Alyssa Stone
Seth Strehl



Victoria Studer
Abby Studzinski
Nicole Stuebe
Rylee Sullivan
Kylie Sutkowski
Katie Swallow
Joseph Szczerbowski



Marissa Tampuskas
Eric Tamowski
Cory Tedeschi
Christopher Tegtmeier
Matthew Tellas
Samantha Terry
Isis Thomas



Leah Thomas
Mary Thomas
Miranda Thomas
Kirstin Thuftedal
Kaitlyn Thupvong
Daniel Tirado-Barbauld
Angelica Toporis



Trisha Tornincasa
Dyllan Torres
Mauricio Torres
Megan Trincot
Joel Truver
Daniel Trzupek
Jordan Tulk



Joseph Turman
Ashley Turoci
Michelle Unhock
Jake Urbanczyk
Justin Urbani
Brendan Venturelli
Joseph Verrill





Arthi Vezhavendan
 Edwardo Vidaurni
 Francisco Villagomez
 Ashley Villanova
 Kaitlyn Wagenaar
 Benjamin Wagner
 Steven Wagner



Sarah Wahlen
 Victoria Wallace
 Breanna Walton
 Bradley Wartman
 Sarah Wartman
 Jaaelon Washington
 Joshua Wauchop



Mackenzie Wayco
 Ashley Weiner
 David Weltmeyer
 Jess Wesolowski
 Kaitlin Westlund
 Kailee White
 Zachary Widlowski



Patrick Wiening
 Alec Wilkerson
 Evan Williams
 Jenna Williamson
 Edward Willis
 Carlie Wilson
 Tiffany Winchell



Jordan Wise
 Tyler Wise
 Jeffery Wisniewski
 Ryan Wisniewski
 Ashley Wojcik
 Megan Wojcik
 Ryan Wojtysiak



Cymone Wright
 Amber Wright-Griffith
 Andrew Wydrinski
 Steven Yarusinsky
 Kyle Zaborac
 Sarah Zajac
 Steven Zambon



Jasmine Zamora
 Richard Zamora
 Alexa Zditosky
 Lynn Zeheralis
 Melanie Zivanovich
 Nathan Zolp
 Stephanie Zrnchik



Lidija Zubic

Nikolina Ajder
Sarah Alaniz
Caitlin Amescua
Luismanuel Anaya
Angela Anco
Andres Arellano
Gabriel Armada



Jaimie Arreola
Alisha Auer
Kyle Babusiak
Theodora Bairaktaris
Bryan Baker
Mariyah Balthis
Thomas Bandura



Eric Banvich
Matthew Barenie
Jennifer Barnas
Ryan Bartock
Kara Bartolomei
Seth-Lee Basler
Melanie Bates



Evan Batty
Jacob Beecher
Robert Beemsterboer
Brittany Bencur
Zachary Benedict
Mark Berg
Bradley Biegel



Erik Bisson
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Alyssa Boyle
Brittney Brady



Michael Brandner
Derrick Bremer
Ariel Bribiesca
Kevin Bridegroom
Thomas Broertjes
Celina Bronson
Heather Brook



Robert Brooks
Marc Brouillette
Richard Brown
Roger Buckner, Jr.
Megan Budimir
Laura Budz
Ryan Buff





Jovana Bukarica
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Ashley Carstensen
Leilani Castaneda
Gustavo Castellanos
Andrea Castillo
Haylie Chapman
Seth Childers
Ashley Chiluski

be friendly be athletic be goofy be interesting



I am
a baseball player

"I have been playing baseball for 15 years. I want to go to Michigan for college because it is my dream to play baseball there. My biggest goal in the future is to play in the MLB," Pluskota said. All this doesn't come for free. Hard work, time, and dedication come with it. "I work out 6 days a week, and I hit, throw, and field as much as possible," he said. When Pluskota finally thought everything was going great, life threw a curveball at him. He experienced a critical knee injury that would temporarily take him on a detour to reaching his goals. "I was playing football in 7th grade, I stepped in a hole, and my body went left while my knee went right. My ACL tore a piece out of my tibia, and I tore my interior meniscus. The surgeons said I wouldn't be able to run or play baseball for 18 months, but I was back in 8 months. I now have a permanent screw in my left knee." This is now Frank's 3rd year on the Lake Central varsity baseball team. "I play on a hitting league at Diamond Kings that I do with some of my friends. One thing I wish is that I was taller. I am short but my looks can be deceiving. Baseball is the best sport ever, and I couldn't live without it."

frank pluskota (11) said



Jasmine Christy
 Nicholas Cialdella
 Anthony Cicchinillo
 Kerri Clark
 William Clark
 Benjerman Clemons
 Jessica Clemons



Patrick Conneen
 Robert Cooley
 Corey Copp
 Brooke Corley
 Aubrie Costello
 Kenneth Couwenhoven
 Rachel Cox



Ryan Coyle
 Amy Crague
 Brian Crider
 Jaclyn Cmokrak
 Courtney Croft
 Christopher Crotty
 Stephanie Crowley



Matt Crytzer
 David Cybulski
 Christina DalSanto
 Daina Dangerfield
 Brianna Davy
 Kristina DeLorta
 Emily DeMario



Amanda Demulc
 Rebecca DeYoung
 Fabian Diaz
 Katelyn Diehl
 Joseph Dimaggio, Jr.
 Nicole Dinell
 Bojana Dobrijevic



Deanna Doggett
 Stephanie Dolci
 Cynthia Dominguez
 Mario Dominguez
 Ashley Doreski
 Michelle Dosen
 Mazahir Dossaji



Michael Downey
 Dylan Drever
 Edward Driscoll
 Katarzyna Dudzik
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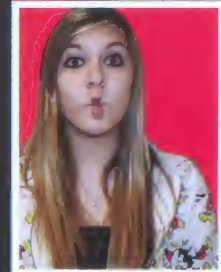
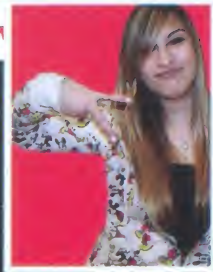


be *artsy* be *creative* be *musical* be *hopeful* be *determined*

I am *inspired*

“There are some people who have a side to themselves that is not as well known as they want it to be, just like Jordan Butkus. “I want to be a singer or actress when I get older. I am getting started by playing the guitar to help alongside my singing. I have been singing since I was very young, and I just started learning to play the guitar for a year,” said Butkus. She is trying very hard to show people how dedicated she is to her music. “I’ve been on Youtube singing and had a music Myspace for more than a year also. It is helping me get out there and reach people. I have also sung at Northwood’s which was exciting,” she said. Jordan is not letting go of the opportunities awaiting her. “Someday I hope my dream will come true. I will never give up on it.”

jordan butkus (11) said



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Dominic Fidanza
Kelsey Flanagan

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Michael Frick

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Cristina Galka
Kaitlyn Galka
Jennifer Gamboa
Jonathan Ganiyu
Stephen Garcia
Joya Gardner

be odd be abstract be different be slender be laid back

I am twitch

"I really do not know how I got my nickname, Twitch. My friends started calling me that in sixth grade," Marc Brouillette (11) said. Brouillette is a 17-year-old who has a pretty interesting life story. When Brouillette was born, his chest bones grew in. As he grew, his chest also grew, but continued growing in. When he reached the age of 16 the doctors decided that he needed surgery to fix this problem. Brouillette was told the pain of the surgery would be equivalent to being hit by a truck. With the help of pain killers he did not feel the excruciating hurting of the surgery. Since the surgery, Brouillette has a major improvement in his chest. He is told to stand up straight because there is always the possibility of his chest caving back in. When Brouillette is not in and out of doctors offices, he enjoys drumming, messing around on the computer, working, and hanging around with friends. He is in AP computer science and is trying to keep up with homework and grades. "After high school I want to go to school for computer programming."

marc brouillette (11) said



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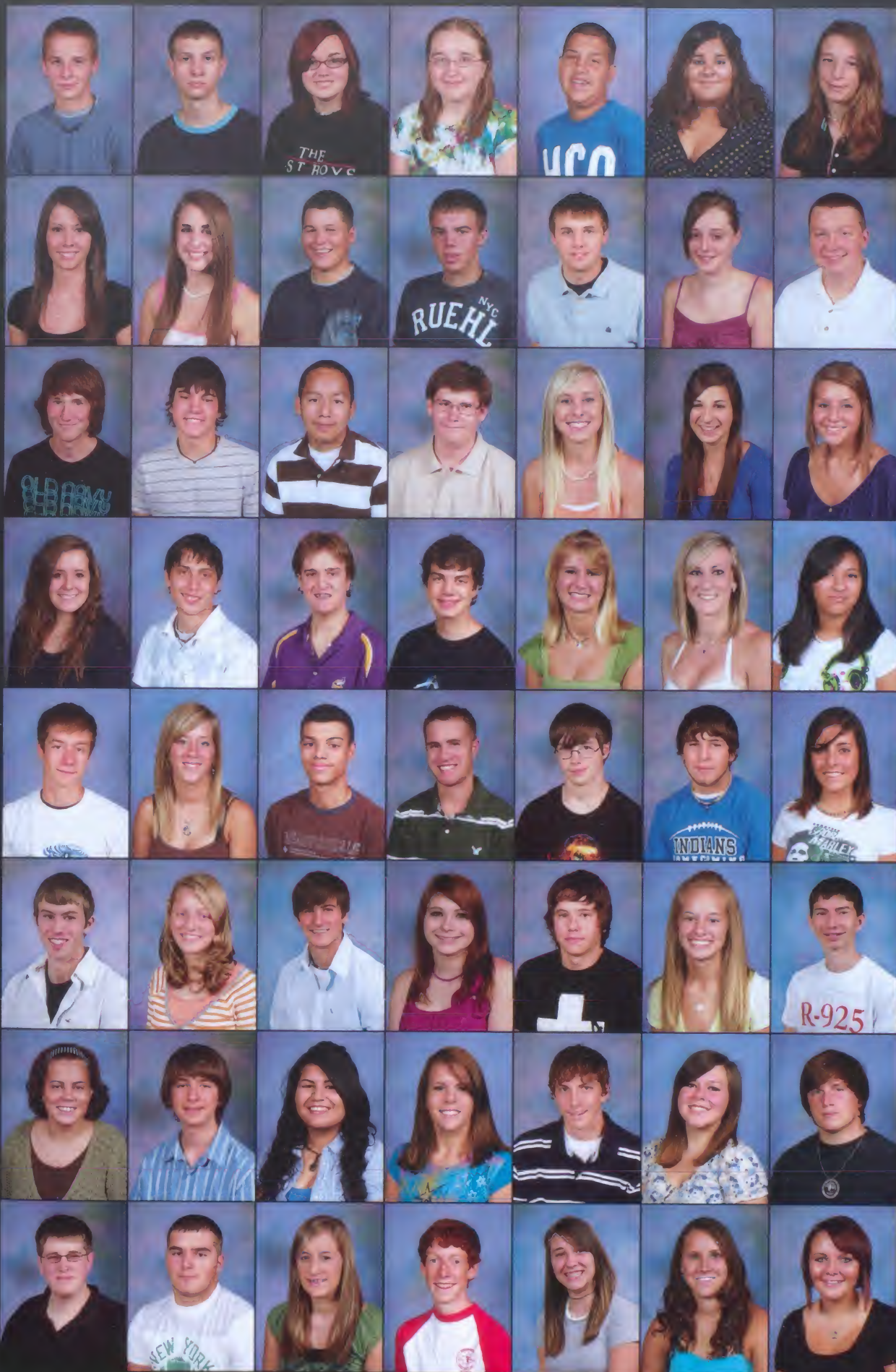


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Keith Holem

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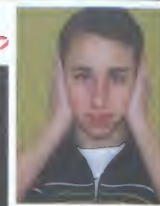
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I am autonomous

"I am a strong willed person who knows where his moral boundaries are. I deviate from what I know is wrong, and I'm not afraid to point out what I find to be wrong. I can understand both sides of the story, and I can accept them both as well. I can have a good time, but also have a strong personality and have the power to influence. In the future, I plan on moving away to Seattle to go to college in order to become a teacher and start a new life."

adam kobus (11) said



Julie Hryniewiecki
Adam Hughes
Ryan Hunter
David Inglis
Hasan Issa
Loai Issa
Bianca Ivancevich



Sarah Jacobsma
Peter Janiga, Jr.
Veronica Jashenski
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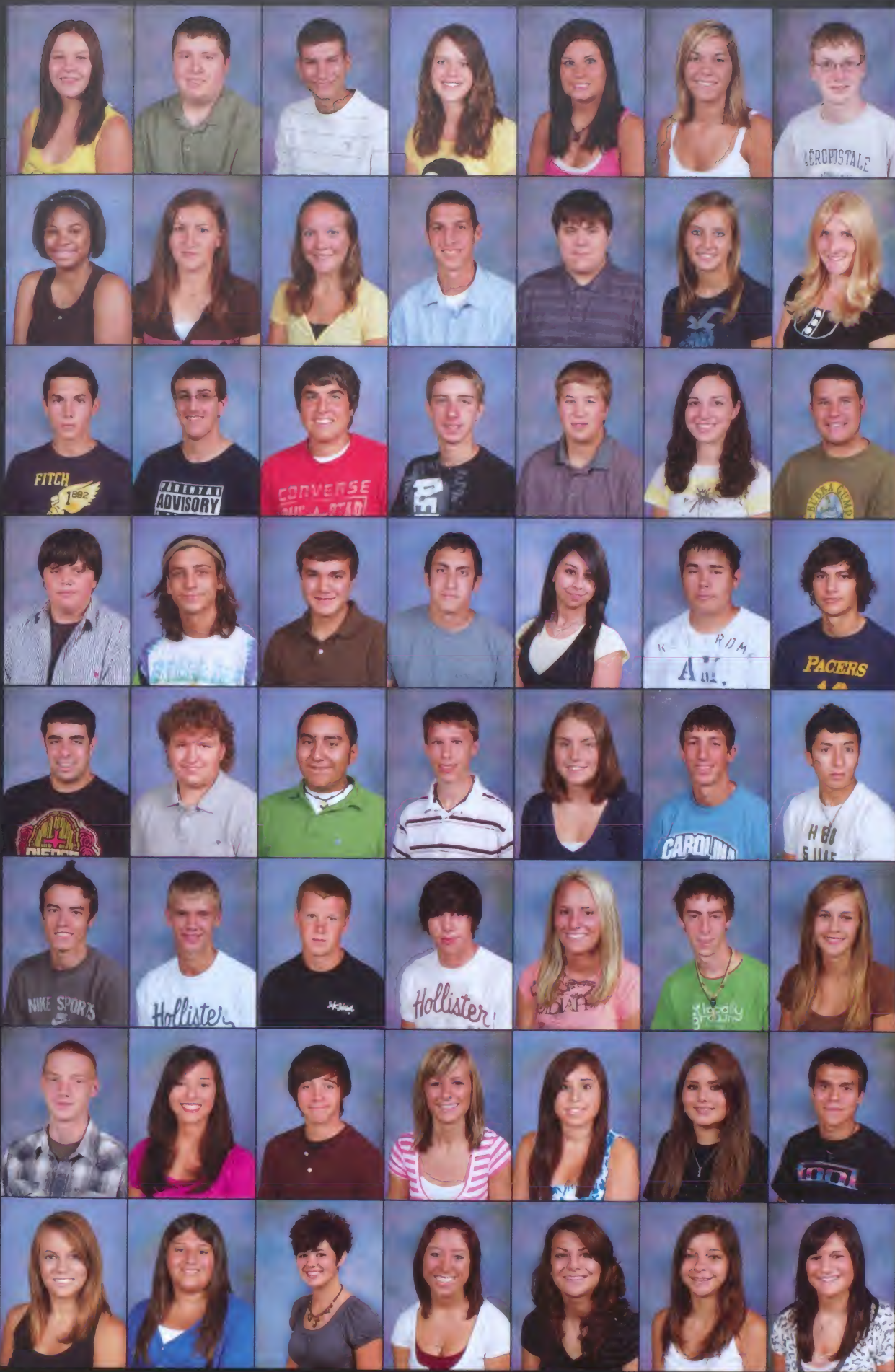


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Kurt Kudrecki
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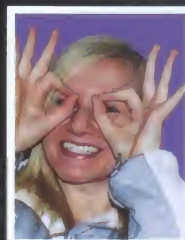


be bubbly be helpful be persistent be driven be motivated

I am an assistant.

Katarzyna Dudzik is a normal girl with high hopes for the future. Most people know her as Kathryn, but what most people may not know is that she plans to become an optometrist. To achieve her goal, she currently works as an optometrist's assistant. "I started off shadowing, and then the doctor offered me a job," Dudzik said. For being a junior in high school, Dudzik's job is very unique. "I pretty much follow what the doctor does, and see what he does. I go about twice a week," Dudzik said. Since she started off as a shadow and ended up with a job as the doctor's assistant, she also learns a thing or two from the doctor's other assistants. "I also see what his assistants are doing and learn what they do because that's what I am doing," Dudzik said. Not only is Dudzik's job good for experience, it's a job that she can learn a lot from and help her to achieve her dream career. "I definitely want to become an optometrist, it is definitely what I'm heading towards," Dudzik said.

katarzyna dudzik (11) said





Cassandra Neal
Raven Neal
Salvador Nevarez
Andrew Nicholl
Cyle Nicholls
Sarah Niedzwiecki
Ashley Niezgoda



Amy Nohos
Justin Nondorf
Gerrad Noojin
Anthony Norman
Jeffrey Nottingham
Michael Nugent
Sean O'Brien



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Michelle Phillips
Jason Piercy



Thomas Pilarczyk
Monica Pineda
Zachary Piro
Kali Pittman
Tara Placier
Megan Plenus
Frank Pluskota

Brooke Polus
Jacob Ponton
Lindsey Prendergast
Korinna Prince
Zachary Propper
Vincent Pucci
Michael Pupillo



Eva Purnick
Alexandra Quilici
Britiana Quintero
Brandon Race
Barbara Racich
Matthew Radencic
Michael Radjenovic



James Rainbolt
Luis Ramirez
Brooke Rangel
Sarah Ranieri
Steven Rassel
Megan Rastovsky
Vincent Ratulowski



Alena Rau
Richard Reasons
Stephanie Reato
Madisen Redar
Lessie Reeves
Lauren Resendiz
Raquel Revis



Alaina Reynolds
Shannen Reynolds
Sarah Richards
Allison Riddering
Garrett Rietveld
Silvia Rios
Audrey Robertson



William Robinson
Vincent Roche
Carly Rodgers
Alaina Rodriguez
Kelleigh Romba
Raymond Rossi
Abigail Rowley



Molly Rupp
Kevin Rush
Kaitlyn Ryan
Margaret Ryan
Joseph Rybicki
Robert Ryder
Alysse Salmi



Angelina Sanchez
Jessica Sanchez
Jill Sanders
Samantha Sansone
Emily Sarbieski
Miquan Scaife
Derek Schaaf





Kristina Schafer
Andrea Schmidt
Jared Schreiber
Alexandria Schultz
Kyle Sepanski
Courtney Severin
Katie Sexton

Michael Sheets
Samuel Sheppard
Stephanie Shupryt
Katherine Sicinski
Nicholas Silva
Joshua Singel
Alyssa Skarbek

Mark Sknerski
Katherine Skura
Stephanie Slevnik
Bryan Smith
Laurel Smith
Matthew Smith
Bethany Smitka

Michelle Smolen
Joseph Smyth
Taylor Snow
Gary Snyder
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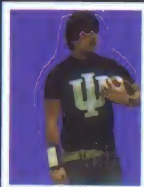
be *ch* dedicated be *friendly* be *athletic* be *funny* be

I am

a football player

I am a varsity football player. On varsity, you are judged and looked at more by your coaches. The games mean a lot more and there is more pressure on Friday nights. You are expected to work harder, give more effort, and completely dedicate yourself to performing at your highest level. There is no room for mistakes on varsity. You have to be an athlete and loyal to your team. Varsity is a family. You give everything you have got for your family, and you destroy anyone in the way. My favorite memories of football are beating Crown Point this year, for the first time in ten years in the freezing rain, and my 57-yard punt in the Crown Point game. I want to continue playing football with the hopes of a scholarship to Notre Dame. I wouldn't only play football, I want to major in anatomy and become a physical therapist,

andres arellano (11) said



Evan Stahr
Jordan Staine
Kaitlyn Stancy
Timothy Starks
Julia Stecyk
Steven Stepnoski
Jarrett Stickle



Kathryn Strohacker
Stephen Stromberg
Andrew Struck
Cameron Sweeney
Michelle Sweeney
Leigha Sweitzer
Nicholas Swets



Bridget Swope
Brittini Szczecina
Nichole Szczerbowski
Karl Szesny
Robert Szwet
Ashlee Tancos
Samantha Tarrant



Jessica Tas
Jeffery Tharp
Michael Topp
Jessica Toyne
Alberto Trejo
Jeffery Trembacki
Antonio Trevino



Elias Tsiakopoulos
Kiana Turman
Kimberly Turoci
Britney Tuskan
Dalton Tussey
Fabian Urquiza
Trevor Ustanik



Gabrielle Uzubell
Steven Valentin
Laura VanCuren
Melissa Vanderbilt
Edward Vanek
Mario Vega
Andrew Vegh



William Venturelli
Sarah Veronesi
John VerWey
David Vetroczyk
Thomas Vienna
Alec Villarreal
Kaysha Vos



Marko Vukasin
Kasey Wade
Lauren Walker
Michael Walker
Ryan Walker
Ashley Walla
David Walters





Charles Walz
James Wanda
James Wangercyn
Kathryn Warner
Bradley Warzyniak
James Waskiewicz
Jacob Webb

Alan Wellinski
Timothy Wenzel
Marianna Whaley
Kyle White
Jack Whittle
Kristen Wicklund
Christopher Williams

Sara Williams
Eric Willy
Amanda Winchell
James Wise
Adam Wroughton
Nathan Yepsen
Erica Yothment

Benjamin Young
James Youngs
Chris Zaglaras
Lisa Zandy
Daniel Zdzinicki
Thomas Zega
Amber Zendian

Erin Zlotkowski
Daniella Zomparelli
Raina Zona
Mary Zugovic
Cesar Zuniga

be crazy be

be creature be energetic be spontaneous

I am a dancer

I am a dancer. Dance plays a major part in my life. I have been in dance since I was a little girl, and ever since then it has become a major aspect of my life. I am currently a Danzforce Senior and taking two ballet classes. This is my third year on Danzforce, and I intend to finish it out through my senior year. When I dance, I feel like someone else, and I love that feeling. Being a dancer makes me feel powerful and in control. People tend to underestimate us dancers, but they don't know the work and dedication it takes. My team has practice two days a week on Tuesday and Thursday. That may not seem like a lot, but our coaches don't mess around. Besides all of the serious stuff, we still know how to have fun. Dancing is my passion and I don't intend to stop.

alyssa gikinich (11) said



be famous be caring be dedicated be informative

I want to be a double major

"When I grow up I want to be famous, I want to be a star, I want to be in movies, when I grow up I want to see the world, drive nice cars. That would be nice, but anyway, I would like to be a fourth grade teacher. As I watched my mother teach as I grew up, she has motivated me to become a teacher just like her. She is an exceptional first grade teacher at Jane Ball Elementary School in Cedar Lake. Her dedication, patience, and drive to make a difference in a child's life has been an encouraging factor in my career decision. I would love to follow in her footsteps one day. I am also going for a degree in communications. One of my ultimate dreams, when I grow up, is to be an anchor woman on Good Morning America, or give the daily news on Fox News in Chicago. When I was accepted into the video production class during my junior year, I would have never thought that maybe someday I would enjoy being a broadcaster. Hopefully one day a door will open for me."

britni weiner (12) said



Roberto Acosta
Kara Adamczewski
Lauren Adamczewski
Zachary Adamczyk
Brittany Adams



Michael Adams
Tatti Albano
Kaitlyn Alcott
Kathryn Alleva
Olukolapo Alli



Jonathan Almaguer
Dominic Aloia
Shaun Andres
Hillary Anthony
Mitchell Anthony





Alyssa Antonio
Alfredo Avalos
Kevin Badten
Anateresa Bagatella
Hilary Baker



Nicole Bardoczi
Tara Barnes
Amanda Bartlett
Brittany Bartock
Kaitlyn Bastie



Brittany Bateman
Russell Batty
Marko Bader
Kristin Beck
Jordan Bermingham



Kyle Bernacki
Paige Biegel
John Bojczuk
Heather Bolan
Jonathan Borgetti



Derek Bork
Ryan Boss
Kristi Bowen
Amy Bowers
Geoffrey Bowman



Kathryn Boyle
Brady Brade
Nicole Brassea
Matthew Bremer
Michal Broniek

Christina Brooks
Anastasia Buchnat
Cecilia Budlove
Alex Bulthuis
Brooke Burczyk



Michelle Bushey
Hayley Butcher
Lukas Butkovic
Zachary Cain
Matthew Cashen



Nicholas Cavins
Leah Cerwinske
Rachel Cerwinske
Alyssa Chandler
Lyle Cherven



Amrao Chhokar
Alaina Ciarrocchi
Kaysee Cieslak
Meredith Cioffi
Kayla Clevenger



Shawn Cockerham
Stephanie Collins
Jody Compton
Nick Coniglio
Christine Conrad



Julia Cook
Samantha Cook
Zachary Cosgrove
Stephanie Costa
Elizabeth Coutroubis





Matthew Couwenhoven
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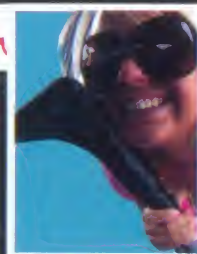
Corey Davis
Irvin De la Pena
Annie De Rolf
Brooke De Vries
Lauren De Young

be free be swell be righteous be young be car

I want to be *a nurse*

"I want to be a neonatal nurse. After I graduate, I'm going to take classes at Indiana University Northwest for two years. I'm either going to transfer to Bloomington, after, or Purdue for their nursing program. After college, I'd like to internship somewhere, and it would be my dream to work at the University of Chicago with my mom. I'm a very caring person, and I love to help out. At first, I wanted to be a veterinarian because I love my little cats and all my animals, but my mom talked to me about nursing and influenced me to pursue it. I actually have a weak stomach, so just making it through an internship would be a major achievement for me. The reason why I want to be a nurse is because it really bothers me when I come across a nurse without bedside manner. I think that having a baby is one of the most important moments of a woman's life, and I think I would be not only their nurse, but also a great support system. It is important to see a warm smile when you're in a moment like that."

elizabeth trichak (12) said



Daniel Deenik
Jessica Dekker
Jeanette Delatorre
Emily Deluca
Jessica Deluca



Zachary Delya
Peter Demma
Byrne Dempsey
Amanda Denney
Justin Denton



Lauren Dermody
Nina Di Maggio
Jannette Diaz
Matthew Diaz
Jessica Dobson



be *out* be *friendly* be *awkward* be *funny* be *you*

I want to be *an actor*

"I was never a big fan of team sports. I always liked being the center of attention better. I found my love in theater when I was younger; my friends and I would role-play Star Wars, and we pretty much self-taught ourselves how to perform. I preformed my first play the summer between fourth and fifth grade through the Peifer Theater program. I don't remember what play it was, but I remember being Pacos Bill. I then tried to join theater in middle school, but was disappointed to find out there was no program offered. I joined Theater Arts freshman year. Since junior year, I have been in Advanced Theater. I have preformed in over fifteen plays so far. I am going to finish up my senior year performing. I would like to have a career in Broadway plays or movies, but I think plays are harder to perform. I always thought films were kind of a cop-out because you can stop when you mess up, but with plays you need to know your stuff. I plan to major in theater arts in college and hope for the best in a career of acting into the future."

kevin badtzen (12) said





Jill Dolniak
Kaitlynn Dougherty
Panagiota Doukas
Megan Downey
Natasa Drageljevic



Kenneth Drenth
Megan Duffy
Drew Dumont
Cameron Duncan
Elizabeth Dupre



Olivia Eagan
Brittany Eaton
Christopher Einterz
Nina Erler
Eric Estill



Erik Etter
Matthew Fabris
Khadija Farooq
Zachary Felton
Kaleigh Fetcko



Charles Fields, III
Joshua Fiorio
Trevor Fishback
Sebastian Fisher
Thomas Fitzpatrick



Alex Fitzsimmons
Tj Fitzsimmons
Nichole Foley
Alyssa Ford
Megan Fortner

Tylor Foster
Patrick Fritz
Brittany Gachino
Angela Gallagher
Jayson Gallatin



Nicole Gantz
Emily Ganza
Andrew Gard
Brianne Gargas
Amanda Garton



Jessica Gasiorek
Jessica Gates
Scott Gavrilovic
Stevan Gavrilovic
Michael Gawlinski



be nice be intelligent be athletic be medical be a woman

I want to be a surgeon

"In my childhood years, I had the aspiration of being an Olympic gymnast. However, going into college next year, I have decided to choose another career path. I have decided to become an orthopedic surgeon, specializing in sports medicine. I hope to be able to work with athletes, trainers, and coaches to help with the prevention and treatment of sports injuries. After my thirteen years of required schooling for orthopedic surgery, I hope to open up my own practice in Chicago, Ill. I wanted to go into orthopedic surgery because I have a strong interest in biology and chemistry, and I enjoy solving problems. As an orthopedic surgeon I would like helping people stay strong and healthy to achieve their highest potential in their individual sports. Because I love pole vaulting, I would like to coach at a local high school or college during my spare time. I'm so excited to begin college and start on my future as an orthopedic surgeon. Hopefully, I can help athletes keep performing in the sports they love."

julia rook (12) said





Jennifer Gazdick
Natalie Geertsema
Jessica Gergely
Michael Gerike
Eric Gibbons



Katie Gindl
Adriano Giovane
Meg Gjeldum
Amanda Gnerlich
Caitlin Godoy



Zachary Golden
Morgan Goldsmith
Alyssa Goodfriend
Philip Gorman
Erica Gorton



Shane Govert
Kristin Greenwood
Patrick Griffin
Cameron Grober
Jacob Gross



Jenny Gross
Kirsten Gross
Marissa Gudowski
Brett Guiden
Rachel Guiden



Jacquelyn Guillermo
Joshua Guizar
Sarah Gunkel
Karee Hackel
Anthony Halterman

be *random* be *stubborn* be *lowen* be *eccentric* be *qui*



I want to be *an art therapist.*

“After I graduate from high school this coming June, I am going to go to college to major in studio art and minor in art therapy because I want to become an artist and/or art therapist. I always grew up loving art, and I took psychology my sophomore year and loved it, thanks to Mr. [Ralph] Holden, [Social Studies]. Taking psychology really influenced my decision and has a lot to do with what I am going to be. It is such an interesting topic to me. With the degree I am going to get, I will probably become an art therapist but continue to make my own art on my own time. An art therapist is someone who helps people overcome emotional and physical problems through the use of art. To accomplish this, I will have to take art classes along with many psychology and sociology courses, too, during college. So you might know me now as the girl that has had about every different hair color possible changing from week to week, but from now on I want to be Chelsea Migler, the art therapist.”

chelsea migler (12) said



Anthony Halupniczak
Katie Hamlin
Melanie Handlon
Megenn Harretos
Jeremy Harrison



Leah Haskins
Joshua Hauter
Jessica Hearne
Rachael Hebda
Rachel Heldt



Adam Hendrickson
Kaitlin Hodges
Colin Hoernig
Patrick Hoernig
Heather Hofer





Samantha Hofer
Kyle Holmes
Ashley Hope
Brian Horecky
Mallory Horvat



Christopher Howard
Daniel Howell
Kenneth Howell
Scott Howell
Alexis Hoy



Magdalene Huff
Kayla Hughes
Jamie Huisenga
Andrew Hulett
Jonathan Hurley



Melissa Hussey
Brandon Hyzy
Eric Jackman
Rachael Jamnik
Lindsey Janiga



Marissa Jaramillo
Scott Jarecki
William Jarvis
Kailey Jensen
Madelyn Jerome



Christopher Johnson
Joel Jones
Shannon Jones
Cheryl Jordan
Kaley Juran

Lindsay Jurek
Isabella Juretic
Allen Kalembo
Joseph Kalembo
Mark Kalinich



Kyle Kaluza
Juliana Kapetanov
Marilyn Karas
Alexander Kazmierczak, IV
Michelle Keichinger



Emily Keith
Cortney Kelley
Abbey Kelly
Brooke Kelly
Robert Keough



Tracy Keough
Kayla Kerner
Brittany Kerwin
Shloka Kini
Katti Kissinger



Michael Klamro
Anthony Klimczak
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Kimberlee Koehler
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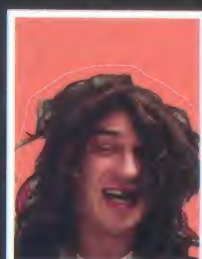


be *polish* be *helpful* be *fluent* be *successful* be *influential*

I want to be *a teacher*

“In the very near future I want to be a successful college student. I will be attending Indiana University Bloomington in the fall. The education department that it has is held in high esteem and Bloomington has a very therapeutic atmosphere. After that, I want to be a Social Studies teacher. I want to be a teacher because I believe that the youth are very easily influenced, and I want to influence future generations to do good. I would like to teach somewhere in Illinois because they will pay for your masters degree. I also want to be fluent in Spanish. I believe that there will eventually be more Spanish speakers in this country than English speakers, and I really like Spanish. I practice Spanish every single day by speaking it either to myself or to others. I want to try my best to help others in any way that I can. I don't want to change anything about myself.”

timothy sokolowski (12) said



Lauren Komacsar
Danijel Koncalovic
Neil Koricanac
Rebecca Koslow
Paulina Kounelis



Kim Kovacic
Alyssa Kowaleski
Jonathan Kowalski
Erin Kramer
Jenny Kranc



Alexandra Kuersten
Christopher R. Kulik
Megan Kurtz
Heather Kwiecinski
Eric LaMorte

Kristin Lamprecht
Alex Lang
Kathleen Lanham
Jay Lannin
Amanda Larson



Nicholas Larson
Brianna Lawrence
Kyle Laya
Jacob Lecea
Corey Lee



Ariel LeMatty
Lisa Leonhardt
Emily LeVin
Patrick Lewis
Michael Lippman



Melissa Litwicki
Myles Long
Nathan Lozanoski
Sarah Lynch
Ryan Macnak



Jessica Madany
Melissa Magdos
Joseph Maguire
Celestia Maldonado
Tyler Malec



Kristin Malek
Michael Malinowski
Colleen Maloney
Samantha Maloney
Anna Marie Mangiaracina





Adam Manno
Haralambos Manousopoulos
Zachery Marcum
Matthew Marinello
Michael Marinello



Anthony Marini
Aleksandra Marinkovich
Ericka Markiewicz
Ashley Martin
Ian Martin



Jessica Martin
Patricia Martin
Allyssa Martinez
Annette Martinez
Hector Martinez

be *american* be *deployed* be *citizen* be *soil*

I want to be *enlisted*

"I started getting a lot of things from colleges in the mail, and I was really unsure of what I wanted to do after high school. By mistake, I got a pamphlet from the National Guard in the mail, and I started looking at it. The more I looked at it, the more it made sense to join. I start boot camp on April 15, in Jackson, South Carolina. Basic training is two and a half months, and I then come home for about a week before I go to San Antonio for individual training to be a medic. My parents are happy for me, but I am really nervous because I do not know how I am going to adjust not having my family there. After college, I want to be able to mobilize and deploy."

marissa basile (12) said

"I joined the military for a couple of reasons. One is to follow in my father's foot steps. He fought in Vietnam and the Gulf War. The second reason is so that it will help with my career choice, which is to be a cop. For the most part, I wanted to join for the experience. It is something I can look back on when I am older."

corey menulky (12) said



Alexander Masleid
Megan Matura
Ryan McCabe
Carly McCall
Tara McElmurry



Edward McGuire
Nicholas McMenemy
Rebecca McQuillen
Kristin Mendez
Desiree Meyer



Matthew Michalak
Wayne Micka
Tyler Middleton
Bret Miedema
Rebecca Miedema



be fun be artistic be curious be technological be anxious

I want to be

a computer engineer

“I first started wanting to work with computers when my family bought our first computer in 1996. About three years later, I started gaining an interest in building websites. In 7th grade, I built a website called www.pureevolutionskate.com, which got about 10,000 hits a day. After a while, I started getting interested more in the software development side of computers, and I'm currently working with a freelance web design business. So far, I've taken every programming class possible at school. I plan on either attending Valparaiso University or Purdue Calumet to further my education with computers. I plan on majoring in either computer science or computer engineering in college, and I hope to work full time as a software developer.”

colin hoernig (12) said





Chelsea Migler
Brittany Mika
Brandon Miksich
Katherine Milbrath
Joseph Miles



Nicholas Miljevic
Richard Miller
Vesna Milos
Anthony Mirabelli, Jr.
Gianna Mirabelli



Sarah Miranda
Adam Misirly
Paul Mitchell
Amy Mitziga
Kyle Moldenhauer



Anthony Montez
Amanda Moore
Meghan Morales
Jessica Morgan
Richard Morris



Gabrielle Mueller
Jacob Mullins
Damon Musgrave
Matthew Muskin
Grace Myers



Gregory Nagy
Amanda Navarro
Rebecca Nawrocki
John Niemzyk
Meher Nisar

Genna Noel
Blair Norman
Garrett Nosal
Brittney Novaski
Matthew O'Leary



Joseph O'Rourke
Ovidio Ochoa
Andrea Olson
George Olson
Neil Olson



Anthony Olund
Kylee Onweller
Kristen Opyt
Sandra Oseguera
Lucas Panfil



Aristotelis Panousis
Benjamin Parchem
Stefan Parra
Monika Patel
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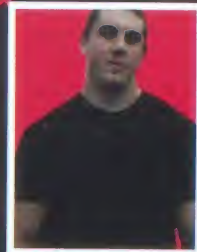
be *hard working* be *skilled* be *talented* be *optimistic*



I want to be *an iron worker*

“I want to be an iron worker after I graduate. My uncle's an iron worker, and I like doing physical labor. They also make pretty good money. There's no real training involved; all you really need to have is four years of high school. Right after I graduate, I'm going to apply at the local union hall and start working right away. I don't really feel like I'm missing out on anything by not going to college. Actually, I feel like I'll be better off because I'll have less debt and make more money than the average college student. The Career Center is 'grrrreat!'”

anthony halupniczak (12) said



Dominic Podsiadlik
Kevin Polochak
Kyle Pratt
Bernard Prisby III
Amanda Pyrz



Alexandra Quinn
Samantha Quinn
Olivia Radencic
Stephen Ragan, II
Matthew Ramirez



Christopher Ramos
Jessica Ramos
Joshua Ramsey
Nikolas Ratoft
Samantha Reid

be *original* be *creative* be *sweet* be *determined* be *spicy*

I want to be

a chef

I would love to be a chef and own my own restaurant. Ever since I was little, I have been helping my dad cook dinner, and not just Mac and Cheese dinners. I cook all of the holiday meals and prepare certain dishes that my family requests for me to make. Ever since the food channel came out, I have been spending my time watching that more than anything else. My inspiration is my mom's best friend Liz. She's an amazing cook, and I have learned my favorite recipes from her. I hope to be as good as her one day. I would like to cook gourmet foods and most importantly wear the big white hat. I think it would be fun to work the crazy night hours and be in control of the chaos of the kitchen. I absolutely hate making any types of sweets. I don't bake. I always burn brownies, cakes, and cookies. I love cooking potatoes and any kind of vegetable. I plan on attending culinary school in Chicago, and my dream is to open up my own restaurant in New York City. My family is very supportive, and I hope to make my dream come true one day.

Melissa Liturcki (12) said



Vincent Rendina
Robert Repasi, Jr.
Sara Rhoades
Jacob Rhoady
Lauren Rigg



Cailin Riordan
Michelle Roberts
Patrick Robinson, Jr.
Clayton Rodgers
Emilio Rodriguez



Ryan Rodriguez
Nathan Rohrbacher
Victor Rojas
Stephen Roldan
Andrea Roman





Annemarie Rompca
Ariel Rosado
Benjamin Rose
Kristen Rose
Lauren Ross



David Rossi
Alyssa Rotondi
John Roumpakis
Jillian Ruiz
Ryan Ruiz



Britni Rushin
Brett Rusin
Laurie Rutkowski
Frank Ruvoli
Sean Ryan



Austin Rybicki
Matthew Rybicki
Evan Rydlewski
Tristan Rynne
David Samardzija



Roger Sammon
Emily Samsel
Mayra Sanchez
Aanchal Sanghvi
Samantha Sansone



David Scasny
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Emily Schilling
Jennifer Schmidt
Matthew Schmidt

Thomas Schmied
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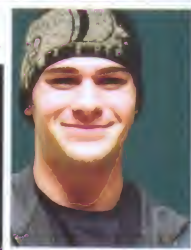
be entertained be successful be wealthy be competitive

I want to be

an entrepreneur

“When I get out of school, I want to go to IU Bloomington for Business and Management. I want to open a company called LAN; its slogan is “Get Wired.” I want to open it up somewhere around here because most people around here are videogame oriented. I want to get a place set up for casual gaming with friends, drinking energy drinks, eating bad food, and just hanging out with your friends. These kinds of parties are for gamers by gamers. I want to work for a company called Showdown Ian because they do the same thing. This specific business promotes special parties, and get a whole bunch of systems networked together and a bunch of computers set up with competition and some prizes. It'll be really cool; I can't wait to be on my own.”

alex fitzsimmons (12) said





Timothy Shanks
Matthew Sharp
Emily Shaw
Sarah Shaw
Margaret Shilling



Alyssa Shoemake
Andrew Siegle
Brian Simac
William Simes
Matthew Siorek



Andrew Siple
Mary Kathleen Siuba
Joshua Skalka
Jason Skowronski
Matthew Skura



Austin Sluiter
Raymond Smith
Katlyn Smolar
Joseph Smoter
Auburn Snell



Avalon Snell
Stacy Sobek
Peter Sobun
Timothy Sokolowski
Richard Sorensen



Antonio Soria
Talisa Soto
Amanda Souronis
Matthew Souronis
Trudy Sowash

Bradley Sowinski
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 Andrew Srisuwananukorn
 Sara Starkey



Ashley Starr
 Nathanael Stasinski
 Christopher Stone
 Mitchell Streck
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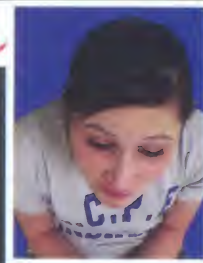


be cool be deliberate be friendly be helpful be unselfish

I want to be *a nurse*

I decided to graduate early because I feel like I need to continue on with my future, actually working toward something. My main goal is to start a family, and I feel like getting done with school and starting a career is the quickest way to get there. I plan to go to IU at the spring semester for my bachelors for Nursing, and then get my masters for Nurse Anesthetist. I know for that, I want to go to a school in Chicago. IU is a pretty good school, and it's close to home, so I don't have to be in debt when I get out of college, and they gave me a good scholarship. I want to do nursing because I found anatomy really interesting, and it would create a secure future and stable family. I hope to get married and start a family one day. Eventually, I would like to travel to a lot of places.

Kaleigh Fetko (12) said



Amy Thomas
Anita Thomas
Jessica Thomas
Keanna Thompson
Kaitlyn Toczek



Stevan Tomich, II
Brooke Tomsic
Steven Traficante
Ashley Travis
Elizabeth Trichak



Cedomir Trikich
Lauren Troester
Amy Troy
Rebecca Trzupek
Colton Tucker

Eric Turman



Murtaza Udaipurwala



Amanda Unhock
Samuel Urban



Megan Uzubell
Natalie Valesano
Austin Venhuizen
Vanessa Voss
Brett Wagner



Patrick Walsh
Garrett Walters
Ashley Ward
Erin Ward
Lindsay Ward



Lisa Warta
Christopher Wartman
Brian Waterstraat
Emily Watson
Ryan Weaver



be *helpful* be *unselfish* be *kind*



I want to be *a politician*

Ever since I was young, at the age of fifteen, I've wanted to be a politician. As a politician, I would want to mostly be involved in legislative work. If I ever run for a political office, I would probably want to run for a position as a state senator. I worked for the Obama campaign this year, and I went door to door canvassing. I gained a lot of experience about how it would be if I ever campaign. Also, I've gained a lot of valuable information from my AP Government class. I think I'm a good leader. I always take an active role. I like history, and to better our country, one must learn from prior mistakes. I'm interested in the many dynamics of the political world. I'm also interested in the economy. By the end of my high school career, I will have taken three economics classes. I want to be a positive influence in the lives of Americans. I really want to help poor people. I also want to help people in other countries with America's influence but not in an ultimately destructive way. I'm not quite sure that I want to be a politician, but I want to stay politically involved.

avalon snell (12) said



Britni Weiner
Amanda Welch
Nicholas West
Meagan Wheeler
Nicole Whitaker



Kayla Wierzbicki
Marissa Wierzbicki
Lyndee Williams
Raquel Witherow
Leanne Witulski



Kevin Wladyka
Kevin Wojcik
Kristopher Wojcik
Brittany Wooden
Jillian Wormsbecher



Samantha Wortsman
Catherine Young
Amanda Yukon
Chanelle Zaborac
Samantha Zahn

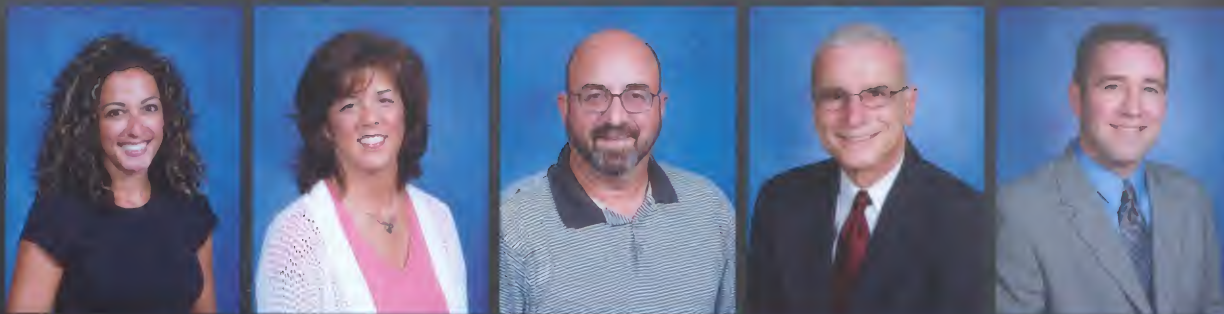


Rachel Zajac
Michael Zakrzewski
David Zamora
Jacob Zatorski
Bradley Zditosky



John Zemkosky
Joseph Zimmer
Natalie Zivanovich
Elio Zomparelli
Michael Zuzich

Koula Amanatides, Social Studies
 Pam Andersen, Aide
 Alan Angel, Science
 Tony Arini, Director of Instruction
 Don Bacso, School Board



Laurie Bankroff,
 Timothy Bannon, Business
 George Baranowski
 Jennifer Barta, Mathematics
 Kim Beach, English



Melody Belei, Library
 Fred Blush, Technology
 Steve Borowski, Tech
 Lindsay Botha, Mathematics
 Karen Bowman, Guidance



be entertaining be outgoing be funny be compassionate

I am a fantasy football fan



I have been playing Fantasy [Football] for over 15 years [after I] started in college. A friend from high school called me up and asked if I wanted to be in a league. I didn't know much about fantasy, but I did know about football, so I said yes. I drafted Emmitt Smith, a touchdown machine, and did very well. At one point I was in three different leagues. I'm only in one [now, and] one is the best. Being in a league keeps you in contact with friends; friends who might live in other cities or countries. It makes watching football more interesting. Who cares if San Diego is playing Arizona, unless you have LaDainian, Tomlinson or Kurt Warner. Also, every week you play general manager/coach and try to beat your friends. [I enjoy] staying in touch with old friends and beating the pants off them when I can. [Also], winning because it is fun to win, and it helps make the long cold winter seem to go faster. [If I wasn't teaching] I would love to be a professional golfer. I would also like to be an actor. I like to entertain, and I could live in California. Plus I could golf all year round.

Mr. Bryan Szalonek
 social studies said





Carrie Brown
Lori Brumm, Office
Chris Bruns, FACS
Terri Budlove, Business
Don Bugaski, Mathematics



Douglas Burns
Eric Bushong, Mathematics
Sandy Bushong, Art
Cheryl Carniello, Business
Darryl Carstensen, Mathematics



Gerald Chabot, Superintendent
Jerod Chandler, Business
Lauren Chappell
Karen Chase, English
Rita Chavez, Business



Erica Churilla, Guidance
Tom Clark, Social Studies
Josh Clark, Social Studies
Chris Colle, Art
Jody Cook, Science



Angela Corrie, English
Wanda Corsello, Library
Carla Crock, Nurse
Patty Croft, Guidance
John DeVries



Kathy Donaldson, English
Ann Downey, Mathematics
Jennifer Elliott, Art
Christopher Engel, English
Karen Fabus

Fred Farnell, Science
Ashleigh Fischer, Westlake
Joe Fox, Mathematics
Scott Freckelton, Mathematics
Kim Freeman, Phys Education



Martin Freeman, Assistant Principal
Valerie Gardner, Mathematics
Kathleen Gordon, English
Kathleen Gordon, English
Marcia Gorelick, English



Eric Graves, Mathematics
Dian Handley, Aide
Chris Harmon, Art
David Harnish, Science
Roberta Harnish, Science



Elizabeth Hasan, Science
Keith Hauber, Business
Amanda Helmus, Social Studies
Nancy Hoban, Science
Jackie Holden, Westlake



Ralph Holden, Social Studies
Katheryn Hoover, English
Mike Howe
Betty Hoyle, English
Josh Huwig, English



Kathy Ignas, Science
Robert Jackowski, World Language
Mark Kellogg
Andrew Kiernan, Phys Education
Albert Koch



be *funny* be *unique* be *friendly* be *creative* be *inspiring* be



I am a traveler

"If I could recommend anything to my students, I would tell them to travel often and experience the world because you learn about things that cannot be taught in a classroom. I would also tell my students that people shouldn't believe what others tell them about the world. They should experience it for themselves and then believe it. I have lived in Scotland, Ireland, and Mexico. If I could permanently live in any other country I would live either in Scotland or Ireland. I would choose these countries because I admire the value they put on history, and I have met many friendly and interesting people there. I even met Rachel Dratch from Saturday Night Live at a local establishment in Ireland. I have traveled to over 16 countries so far. My favorite places to visit are Rome, Italy and the United Kingdom. Two summers from now, I plan to go to South Africa. I am going there with my husband so that he can produce the replays of the World Cup on television."

*Mrs. Rebecca Magee,
social studies said*



Cheryl Kodicek
Julie Koricanic, Westlake
Brandi Krolak, English
Clarie Kuhlenschmidt, Social Studies
Rita Laskey, World Language



Bill Ledyard
Ray Lentz, Science
Andrew Locke, Mathematics
Joan Loden, Mathematics
Myra Lolkema, English



Craig Lorek, Westlake
Valentina Lozanoski
Frank Lukawski, Westlake
Rebecca Magee, Social Studies
Kay Maloney, World Language

Howard Marshall
Donna Martin, Mathematics
Kathleen Martinez, World Language
Robin May
Jennifer McQuade, Science



Bill Melby, Mathematics
Diana Melby, English
Bill Mertens
Mallory Meyers, Mathematics
Dave Milausnic, Westlake



Pam Miller
Ken Miller
Stacy Mills
Corinne Moore
Richard Moore



Jack Moorhouse, English
Sylvia Mora, World Language
Kim Musashe
Dave Nelson, Band
Erin Novak, English



Kristina Ochman
Robert Ochs, Mathematics
Angela Ohlenkamp, Mathematics
Richard Ohlenkamp, Mathematics
Raymond Palasz, English



Clifford Payo, World Language
Sandie Platt
Stephanie Prescia, Science
Ellen Probst, Mathematics
Nancy Ranich





Erin Rawls, Mathematics
Jeff Rhody, Science
Terry Richardson, Vocational
Andrea Rodovich
Lorrie Wrona, English

Kathleen Rosinski, Business
Christopher Rossiano, Social Studies
Sarah Roth, Social Studies
Ann Ruiz
Jeff Sandor, English

John Schneider, Social Studies
Cynthia Scrivener, World Language
Barb Serwnek
Jeffry Sherman, Mathematics
Stephanie Shevik, Science

be nervous be indescribable be excited be

I am

a mom

I always wanted to be a mom, but I knew that I needed to be emotionally ready and mature before I started a family. After we were married a few years, my husband and I knew we wanted to add to our family. I was really excited to become a mom. I was already a "stepmom" to my teenage son, but I still prepared for my baby by reading a lot and taking care of my young nieces and nephews. I had my baby eight months ago. He was born on April 21, 2008, and we named him Luke Daniel Moreno. I was very excited, but he was born three weeks early and had trouble learning to eat. They say it is very common for premature babies to have trouble with eating, and the hospital would not send him home until he was eating well. After just a few days, he was able to come home, and once we was home there were no problems at all. I loved this little guy unconditionally from the moment I knew I was having him. But as he grows up, he interacts more, and we can see his cute little personality emerge. I feel like I love him a little more and more each and every day,

*Mrs. Lisa Moreno
science said*



Rudy Skorupa, Science
 Kathy Small, Business
 Kendall Smith, Science
 Ryan Smith, English
 Todd Smolinski, Social Studies



Joe Stanis
 Bryan Szalonek, Social Studies
 Kathy Szewciw, FACS
 Adam Tenbarge, English
 Rachel Thomas



Rachel Thomas
 Elaina Thrall, FACS
 Nancy Tilka, World Language
 Brian Tomson, Social Studies
 Rachel Underwood, Social Studies



be dedicated be friendly be helpful be involved

I am a custodian

I've worked 12 years full time, and I substituted for 2 years before that. [My favorite part is] you kids being here keeping me busy. I love the difference in personalities. You kids brighten my day. You always brighten my day. The saddest thing is to see the seniors leaving. When they all come in as freshmen, it's amazing to see them grow. Every year, I try to do something for them. I usually give out roses to them before they leave. I'm glad for all of them, but it's sad to see them leave. I really do miss you kids. That's kind of hard coming from a custodian. You wouldn't think that. If I had to do it over again, I'd do this. I substituted in the classroom once, and all you see is a dirty desk. In this job, you get to match faces. It's awesome when I see you kids out and you introduce me to your parents. I think that's a good thing. I've had quite a few parents come up and introduce themselves to me. I would just like to thank you kids for putting up with me for 12 years. I hope that I made it fun. I hope that the kids here enjoyed me just half as much as I have enjoyed them.

ms frankie melcher
 custodian said





Marc Urban, Phys Education
Louis Valse, Science
Larry Veracco, Human Resources
Vivian Velasco, FACS
Sarah Verpooten, English

Carrie Wadycki, English
Rod Wartman, Econ
Amy Wilkins
Sally Wilkins, Business
Sandy Wright, Guidance

Maureen Yaeger, Art
Karry Zajicek, Mathematics
Laura Zeller, English
Teresa Zentz, Social Studies



cafeteria staff

Front Row: Cindy Sandor, Cheryl Fulk, Sahar Wissa, Karen Cockerham, Gail Hadarich, Sue Gillen, Nada, Vujnic, Edith Lozano. **Second Row:** Sally Shaver, Sandy Wojcik, Darla Overholt, Angela Lucido. **Third Row:** Patricia Barrientez, Debbie Dorsey, Terri Loveless, Pat Smith, Lina Budack, Sharon Sowa, Christie Zendzian, Wendy Livingston, Sherry Rakoczy, Andrea Balcerak, Debbie Thompson, Rhonda Jazwierski.



custodial staff

Georgia Kolintzas, Milka Culic, Stojanaka Jokic, Tom Rainwater, Mara Seat, Robyn Jones, Tom McCormick, Virginia Talley

brianne gargas

We can hardly believe this time has arrived. This is not the end, but the beginning of a whole new, exciting chapter of your life. Thank you for the memories. We have enjoyed watching you dance these past four years. You have worked very hard, and we are proud of you accomplishments- you are an AMAZING dancer! With your goodness of heart, your passion for living, your contagious laugh, your loving, fun personality and strength, you can achieve anything you dream. Reach for the stars and keep dancing! Always remember we love you and will always be here to support you as you follow your dreams. We are your #1fans! Love, Mom, Dad, Lindsey, Sarah, Alyce, and Beaubie



tracy keough



Wow! How the time has flown, and now you are an incredible young woman with a bright wonderful future ahead of you. You are my angel. I am so proud of you. I love you so much, and remember I will always be there for you. Hugs and kisses, Mom.

joseph o'rourke



is refreshing and catches us off guard. Don't ever stop changing and living your life to the fullest. You are our success and that makes us proud. Live Life Full. Love Mom and Dad.

From Gilligan to Joe Joe, to Joey, to Joe Cool, to Joe. You are our man. You have brought us many joys and surprises. Your humor and outlook

stephanie costa



Over the past few years, we had the pleasure of watching you grow into an incredible young woman. Always trying new things, challenging yourself, being a dedicated friend, and holding a family together through rough times. We are all so proud of you and your many accomplishments. But nothing could make us more proud than to call you: a daughter, sister, and auntie. With college ahead, we know you will do great things and give us more to be proud of! We all love you, Congratulations! Love, Dad, Britt, Mark, Kyle and Luke.

adam szewciw

It's hard to believe that you are ready to graduate LC and venture out into the world!! You will never know how much we have enjoyed the past eighteen years with you. The tough little boy with the blonde curls has matured into a fine young man. We are proud of you, Adam. You know who you are and are not afraid to be yourself. You have brought so much laughter and fun into our home with your outrageous sense of humor! The world is wide open for you, and we look forward to watching you find the path that will bring you happiness in your life. You are an amazing person and are lucky to be your parents. We're going to miss you so much! We love you Adam! Love, Mom and Dad



kyle moldenhauer

It seems like only yesterday you were starting school. Now you will be beginning a new chapter of your life. We have watched you grow into a nice young man, and we are so proud of you. Continue to strive for what you want in life. You have the determination, character, and values to achieve your dreams. Believe in yourself and you will accomplish great things. Always remember, be happy, do the right thing, and never give up! We love you, Mom, Dad, and Eddie.



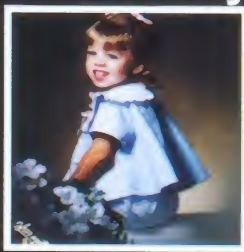
timothy sokolowski



Where have the years gone? We can hardly believe that college is just around the corner. You are the light of our lives.

Always follow your dreams. Make the most of your life and your God-given talents. Never lose your sense of humor. We wish you love, laughter and success always. We are so proud of you! Love, Mom, Dad, and Laura

nichole foley



Congratulations Nichole! You've come a long way. We always knew that you were special and the fact that

you have accomplished so much already has made us so proud of you. We have no doubt that you will achieve any goals that you have set for yourself. Just remember, ENJOY LIFE! Love, Mom, Dad, and Meaghan XOXO (Texting...old school!)

amanda rossiano-pyrz



We are all so proud of you and the beautiful wonderful person you've become. Keep up the good work, stay true to

yourself, and follow your dreams. Keep the Lord in your heart and allow him to guide you. We love you Amanda, with all our hearts. Love, Sam, Mom, Crista, Geena, Nani, Baba, Dad, Diane.

robert rapasi



Bobby, It seems like just yesterday you were starting Kindergarten and now you are

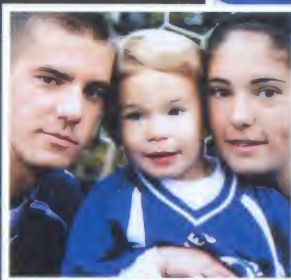
graduating from High School. You are a great son and brother and we wish you good luck in college and the future. Love Always, Mom, Dad, Marisa, and Kellie

nicholas miljevic

Nick, your dad and I along with Tina and Michael are very proud of you, and we all wish you good luck in college. Just a few reminders for after you check into your dorm room, though:

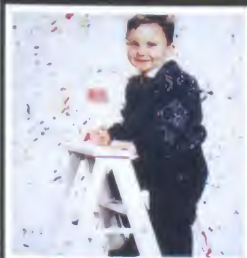
1. Don't forget to call down to the kitchen and let them know to have pasta and pot of meat ready at all times, day or night.
 2. Don't forget to let the bathroom attendant know that your sink and toilet need to be wiped down every morning and the toilet paper needs to be replaced when empty because you don't know how to do it. And that a clean, fresh, white towel be hung next to the sink every morning.
 3. Don't forget to call the laundry specialists and let them know that you like your jeans hung dry, not dried in the dryer. And that you like fabric softener added to your T-shirts during the rinse cycle.
 4. Don't forget to explain to the closet monitor that you like everything hung up on hangers and in order of color and sleeve length. Please let them know that sweaters should be folded so that they don't get stretched out.
 5. Finally, and this is very important: place a call to the room maid and let her know that your pillow cases need to be changed every morning and that your bed needs to be made every morning as well.
- Wow, and I thought it was going to be hard seeing you off to college! I think that about does it for the checklist. Now, I do need you to return a few things before you leave, though. those would be the following:

1. All of Tina's decapitated Polly Pockets.
2. The rear windshield of your dad's 1984 silver Audi station wagon. You shattered it throwing rocks from the garage to the curb, trying to see how far into the street you could throw them.
3. 189,773 hours of peaceful, restful sleep to your parents, lost from the time of your birth until age three. This includes the 41 hours of labor your poor mother had to endure.
4. Six boxes of Band-Aids, three rolls of gauze, and two bottles of alcohol used to patch up your knees after you test drove the makeshift scooter you rebuilt using all the salvageable parts from your broken bike, skateboard,



- and anything else in the garage you could find to duct tape together. Your screams brought all the neighbors running to see "what animal made that noise."
 5. Your dad's hairline.
 6. \$123.76 to Aunt Mira and Uncle Chris for ordering multiple viewings of "Dogma" on their Pay-Per-View while you were supposed to be helping them move into their new house.
 7. And lastly, 3,893,447,209 tears that will be shed by your loving mother over the course of this year as she prepares to unleash, oopsiee, I mean release her first born into the world.
- GO FORTH! THE WORLD IS YOURS MY SON!! Love, Mom.**

dominic aloia



After 18 years you continue to amaze us. You started your own business as a freshman and we watched it grow. We

are proud of you and your accomplishments as a young man. Continue to dream and work hard in college. You will go far in life or in your journey wherever life takes you. Love Mom and Dad.

jamie huisenga



To our little Mamie: It will be so quiet next year without you. You have filled our life with so many great

memories. We love you and are very proud of all you have done. Love, Mom, Dad, Jesse, and Jeremy

rayna tanis



You have been a true joy to have as a daughter. We are so proud of the young woman you have become. As you begin

this next step in to adulthood know that we are always here to support you and love you. Love Mom, Dad, and Aaron.

andrew siegle



We have been so proud of you from pre-school graduation to your senior graduation! Good luck with your new adventures in life! You have made us proud of every accomplishment from your first computer to competition in BPA Nationals, and your love for track! Go Baby GO! Remember The Sky Is The Limit (JJS)! Love, Mom, Dad, & Michael

matthew skura



rewarded. Love always, Mom, Dad & Katie.

Congratulations Matt! You are a great son and we're very proud of you. Keep working hard. You will be

blair norman

You always knew just how to light up the room with your wonderful smile when you were little and we surely can't forget your sense of humor as you got older! Your family and friends have been blessed with your love and caring nature and we all wish you the best very best as you begin the new transition and journey of life. Keep a smile on your face and lots of love in your heart and always remember you're "our pumpkin" and our hearts are with you forever no matter where you go in life, Dyer will always be your home.... Love Always-Mom, Dale and Trent



josh fiorio



never give up. We love you. Love, Mom, Dad and Jacob

Josh, Congratulations! We are so proud of you. Remember to always follow your dreams a n d

kristin mendez



to your family values. Dare to dream & accomplish your dreams. Set your goals high work hard and honest and always give back. You have a wonderful heart and you are a beautiful person. Love Mom & Dad & family

Kristin Congratulations on your graduation. Always remember you can accomplish anything you set out to do Keep dear

vincent rendina



much joy and pride. As you leap into your next stage of life, remember everything that got you this far. Strive to be the best, and always enjoy life to the fullest! Love you, Mom, and Megan

Vincent, We are so proud of you and your accomplishments. You have always been a caring, honest, and responsible son. You have brought us

heather bolan



the best is yet to come. Love Mom and Dad

Conratulations!!! Continue to believe in yourself and walk in the way God would have you go. You have become an amazing strong inde-

cory davis



rewarded. May all of your dreams come true! Love, Mom and Dad

You have an exciting future ahead of you. You have always challenged yourself. Your ambitions will be well

alyssa kowaleski



the best in all your future endeavors. Remember every day is a gift. Unwrap each one with an open mind, a loving heart and a hopeful expectation of something wonderful. Love Mom and Dad

May you always have this much joy and laughter in your life! We love you and are very proud of you. We wish you

caitlin godoy



Dad, Mom, Jill, Eric, Krystal and Grace

Caitlin: Our baby daughter has grown into a beautiful young woman overnight! There are no words that can

emily schultz



Love Mom, Dad and Elizabeth

We are very proud of all your accomplishments and of what a beautiful person you have become.

kyle scheffel



Love you Mom, Dad, Brian and Brett

Kyle, What an amazing young man you have grown up to be. We are so proud of you. The next four years will bring new

brooke burczyk



turn to teach, we're sure you'll inspire others to feel happy and proud. Know that your family will always be there for you Follow your dreams, reach for the stars, and always dance like no one is watching. Love you-Dad, Mom and Blair

We're extremely proud of you. We've learned so much from you about strength, courage, inspiration, and perseverance. When it's your

alaina ciarrocchi



The world is watching for someone like you to make a difference. We will always be here for you. Forever Mom and Dad

Alaina, Ever since the day you were born we knew you were special. You have made your family very proud. Alaina you

kimberlee koehler



love you. Dad, Mom, Kyle, Toby and Max

Kim you are the picture of beauty and intelligence. Your determination and hard work has, and always will

eric estill



young man. We know you will continue to strive to be the best person possible and accomplish great things. Your journey is just beginning and we will always be on the sidelines as your number one fans. With love always, Dad and Mom

Each and everyday we have been amazed and proud of your talented and caring spirit. As parents, we have watched you grow into a wonderful

shayna schultz



Congratulations! Shayna! Words can't express how truly proud we are of you and your many accomplishments. You've always worked very hard in school and we know you will continue to succeed in everything that you do. Thank you for always taking your school work seriously, for just being a responsible teenager, and for just being a great daughter. Follow your heart and your dreams will come true. We'll always be there for good times and bad. We love you! Mom, Dad, and Kelsie

gregory nagy

Congratulations Greg! We can't believe how fast 18 years come and gone. You are now graduating High School and looking forward to your College years. We want you to know how very proud we are of you, and all your accomplishments. From the day you were born and we looked into your eyes, we knew you were very special and would achieve great things. You have gone through life as you implies; (watchful and alert). You are one very amazing young man, and we are blessed to be your parents. We love you with all our hearts, and believe you will be successful in any endeavor you choose. We know all your dreams will come true, and you will soar through life without any turbulence as you prepare for your future. Love Mom and Dad.



byrne dempsey



It has often been said that life has its ups and downs. Bo, your ability to endure is a trait to be admired. I am proud to be your father. You

have matured so much in the last four years. We know you are ready to move forward. You've handled disappointment better than most. Love you dearly. Mom xo

sarah sweeney



Sarah you are our sunshine. You make our lives brighter, our love stronger. You are so smart, so kind, so caring, and so beautiful.

You are the kind of daughter that every parent wants as their own. Our lives are so much sweeter with you in them. Always trust your heart. Always love your family. Always believe in yourself. Love Mom & Dad

gianna mirabelli



From the moment you were born, I knew you were destined for great-

ness. As parents we couldn't be more proud of our child as we are of you. We have watched you grow into a beautiful confident young lady. Gianna your morals and values have set you above the rest which makes you most unique. You are a great role model not only to your peers, but most importantly to your sisters Lexi and Nikki, your brother Zac, Adele, Lexi, Olivia, and Peyton. Gianna whatever you do in life remember always be true to your heart. Put God first and foremost. Know that he has blessed you with so many things. Go forth and continue to succeed in your endeavors. Make all your dreams a reality "Dr. Mirabelli." Endless possibilities are within your reach, just grasp them. We love you, very much Dad, Mom, Lexi, Nikki, And Zachary. P.S. Nona is looking down upon you with great pride, joy and undying love.

lucas panfil

Dear Luke, As Dr. Seuss said - "You have brains in your head. You have feet in your shoes. You can steer yourself in any direction you choose. You're on your own. And you know what you know. You are the guy who'll decide where to go." We wish you much success at Krannert School of Management at Purdue University. We're excited for you to join your two older brothers and continue the Boilermaker tradition. Love Dad and Mom.



cedo mir trikich

Cedo - You are truly an amazing young man and don't let anyone tell you differently. Smart, loving, and passionate. There is nothing you cannot do when you set your mind to it. You know I've always got your back. Life is an amazingly wonderful short journey. Enjoy every moment of it with "eyes wide open." Please never stop believing in yourself, because I never will. I love you more than you will ever know baby. Huggz and Kissez, Mama



kenneth drenth



Wow! It is so hard to believe you are done with high school! It seems like just yesterday I was taking you to preschool and you were crying because you didn't want to go. These 18 years have been such a joy for your dad and I, we've truly enjoyed every moment being your parents. You have grown into such an intelligent, strong, confident and respectful young man and we are so proud of you. Continue to work hard and make decisions and we know you will go far! Love you lots! Mom and Dad



jessica and emily deluca



Dear Jessica, our fourth and so desired child, your overcome many hurdles to become the beautiful young woman that you are. Your caring ways and strong determination will be the keys to your success. Follow your dreams because dreams do come true! God bless you. You are the love of our lives. Mom, Dad, and all your siblings.



Dear Emily, you are our autumn baby that grew into a beautiful young woman both

inside and out. Your caring nature will be the key to your success. You have a heart full of love to give to the world. You're anxious about your future but you have what it takes to make your dreams a reality. You are the love of our lives. God bless you. Mom, Dad, and all your siblings

amanda garton



Amanda, trade doubt for belief, trade fear for courage, trade "u" for nothing... Love you always and forever, Mom, Dad, David, and Matt

emily ganza



We are so proud of the beautiful, intelligent young woman you have become. You have had a high school career filled with fun, friends, adventures, disappointments, and joy. You have kept your dignity and lived up to your responsibilities. All the wonderful traits you possess have brought you this far and will continue to serve you into college and beyond. We love you. Mom and Dad

lisa warta



Congratulations! We are so proud of the young lady that you have become. With all of your determination, you can accomplish anything that you set out to do. Follow your hearts desires and enjoy the great adventures that await you. All our love, Mom, Dad, Jeff, and Dana

eric jackman



Eric, we are very proud of the young man you've become. You have been a wonderful son and have brought much happiness in our lives. Good luck in college. Love, Mom, Dad, Jennifer and Alec

paulina kounelis



You were truly a gift from heaven to us. You were a beautiful baby, an adorable little girl, and now a lovely young lady. You have truly been a joy and a blessing in our lives. There isn't a day that goes by that you haven't been cherished, treasured, and loved. You have a personality that will certainly go noticed in whoever you meet and whatever you do. Always remember that we will always be there for you, no matter what road you travel or what your future brings. Believe in yourself and be happy. Prepare for your future, but have fun getting there because life is too short not to enjoy it! You are very special and we are so proud of you. We love you, Lena.



melanie handlon

Wow! Where has the time gone, it's hard to believe that you are graduating from high school already. Congratulations!!!! We are so proud of who you've become and all your accomplishments. You are a beautiful and intelligent young woman. Good luck at IU. You will be missed. We wish you all the best as you continue on your journey through life. May God bless you always, and may all your dreams come true. All Our Love Always, Mom, Dad and Kristin





alyssa goodfriend

The first 18 years have been a wonderful experience and you are an awesome and caring daughter. Good luck with the next chapter of your life! Follow your dreams and remember: "Live your life with arms wide open; Today is where your book begins. The rest is still unwritten..."

alyssa rotondi



Pumpkin, as a little girl you were full of charm, curiosity, unending energy, contagious laughter, and drama! As a young woman you are full of intelligence, promise, endless goals, delightful personality, and drama! Listen to your heart, live the life you love, make time for what matters. Remember there are no limits on your dreams and no achievements beyond your reach. We are so proud of you. Love Mom and Dad

britni rushin



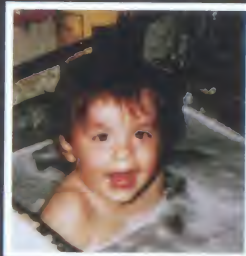
Your accomplishments in the last 4 years have been nothing short of amazing. Managing excellent grades, work schedule and being a great role model to your two younger sisters. Be very proud of what you have accomplished, we are! We love you, and wish you the best on your next chapter in life. Love, your family



eric summers

Ric, we are so proud of all you've accomplished thus far. You've worked hard in all your athletic endeavors and it's paid off. You have been nicknamed "the Beast" or "Big Country" but not everyone has had the good fortune to know that you're really a "gentle giant." You're caring, respectful and yet you don't let people push you around. You were such a cute little boy and now you've grown into such a handsome man. Good luck with baseball at Purdue next year - and live your life to the fullest - as Grandma Summers always says "Carpe Diem." Love forever and always - Mom, Dad, Adam & Brett

micheal zakrzewski



up the good work! Love Dad and Stacey

Micheal, this is just the beginning! You are a fine young man and you make us proud every day. Keep

matthew cashen



all you do! We love you! Love, Mom, Dad, and Ashley

We are so proud of you. We know you'll be more than ordinary - you'll be extraordinary! Good luck in

brittany bartock



lady. Follow your dreams and believe in your self. Love Mom and Dad

Congratulations Brittany! Our beautiful baby girl has grown into a beautiful young

ryan reig ruiz



Wow! Our little "Bud" is graduating high school...how time flies! Ryan, you are truly remarkable! We are so proud of you. You have had multiple obstacles thrown at you throughout the years, but you have conquered, and, most importantly, you have survived. You have grown into a truly remarkable young man right before our eyes. We have no doubt that you will accomplish whatever you set out to do. Have fun in college... well...not too much. Enjoy the experience! We love you honey, Mom and Dad. RRR, It's crazy to think that we just graduated 8th grade and high school... now it's high school and college! I'm proud to say that you're my brother and that we're both Lake Central grads. Good luck in college, don't forget to study and have some fun too! YL, nel

lauren adamczewski



and the way present yourself in everyday life. So put it in Grandma's words "you're a lady." Dream big and shoot for the stars, because we know you can accomplish anything you put your mind to. We love you so much, Mom and Dad

When it comes to daughters we couldn't have picked a better one. Your father and I are so proud of you

matthew siorek



Keep up the great job in the next chapter of your life. You can do anything if you just put your mind to it! Always have fun along the way! We love you. Keep smiling! Big hugs and love, Mom and Dad

Congratulations Matthew. We are so proud of you and of all of your accomplishments.

emily levin



from a shy, young girl to an outgoing, well-respected woman. We wish you the very best and know that you will succeed. Remember to have fun, relax and enjoy your college experience! We love you forever and a day! Dad, Mom, Amanda, Jennifer and Mosley

Congratulations! We are proud and amazed at your many accomplishments. We have seen you grow

kayla wierzbicki



into a beautiful young woman that we are proud to call our daughter. Stay true to your dreams. Don't ever settle for less than the best. Be the best teacher you can & you will change lives. All our love always, Mom, Dad, and Amy

Eighteen years have flown by. It seems like yesterday you were a baby. You have grown

alexander fitsimmons



great sense of humor. What a terrific son you've grown up to be. Always remember... an "epic fail" creates a new opportunity. We love you now, always and forever. Mom and Dad.

Alex, Al, Mr. Personality, the Salesman... all names we have used to describe you. Sensitive, caring,

jennifer severin

Jennifer. We are so blessed to have a beautiful, very helpful, and hardworking young lady. Trust in God for He will guide you on your journey through life. No matter what your goals are, just work hard and you will succeed in life. Believe in yourself. May all your dreams come true. We are so very proud of you. You also made Grandma and Grandpa very proud. Love Mom, Dad, and Courtney



chelsea migler



"See you later. I'm out of here." Chelsea, as you leave high school and begin the next part of your journey, know that we love you and are proud of you. Love, Mom and Dad.

angela gallagher



Angela you may be a young adult, but since your dancing on our table tops from the age of three, we will always know you as Rainbow Love. You find the best in people and make them feel appreciated. Our toughest and our softest, not afraid of a fight, please don't change. We love you just the way you are.

mallory horvat



M a l l o r y, our little tomboy to a beautiful young lady. You have always amazed us with your strong will. You never give up and always give 100% in everything you do. We love and support you in whatever you choose to do in the future. You will be a great success! Love Dad, Mom and Ashley

alyssa shoemake



Congratulations, Alyssa! Your Dad and I are so proud of you! We will miss you when you're gone. Continue to do what's right in your heart and you'll succeed in life. The world is a better place with you in it. May all your dreams come true. Love Mom, Dad, and Taylor

lesley payonk



"Congratulations! Today is your day. You're off to great places! You're off and away!" When you read this, you will be off to great places and doing great things!!! In 18 years we have watched you grow into a beautiful, kind, self confident, and determined young woman. Lesley, you have never taken the easy path in the classroom or in athletics. We are ever so proud of you. Your determination is a unique quality which will serve you well as you venture through life. We give you all of our love and wish much happiness and joy in your future. Live, laugh and most of all have fun. Love, Mom and Dad

kristin malek



Kristin, Congratulations! I can't believe the time has come for you to go off to college. Enjoy every minute of it! Always remember how proud I am of you. Follow your heart, your beliefs and your dreams, and never doubt yourself. You can do anything! You truly are my inspiration. Look out world, here she comes! All my love, Mom

corey lee



Corey, we have watched you grow from a free spirited little boy into an intelligent young man. We are so proud of all that you accomplished. Keep believing in yourself and work hard to make your dreams come true. Congratulations and good luck in college and in the future. Love Mom, Dad, Stephanie, and Benji

jillian ruiz

To Our "Lil Mama's" Congratulations Jilly! We are so proud of you. This is only the beginning the BEST is yet to come. Continue to make smart choices, Always push yourself to the limit and May God continue to shine on you. Remember we are always here for you and We Love You Very Much.....XOXOXO Dad, Mom Jessica, Valerie & Robert, Cocco & Jack



melissa magdos



Melissa, you have always been our sunshine. Your beauty radiates from the inside out. You are as talented as you are beautiful. Together with your strength and sparkling personality, you have what it takes to achieve your dreams. Go get 'em! Love Mom and Dad

emily watson



Our Dear Emmy, Congratulations! You finished high school in dramatic fashion-our shining star. You are truly a blessing to our family and a wonderful person of faith and fancy which will carry you to adventures yet unimaginable. Carry on. Learning never ends. We wish you peace, joy, and love forever. With much love and adoration, Mama and Popsicle.

samantha cook



Congratulations on all your academic and athletic accomplishments. You have enjoyed

these last four years so much, and we wish the best for you as you go on into Marian Catholic University. Keep enjoying life! We love you so much! Love Mom, Dad, Michael, Rachel, Niko

amanda unhock



Amanda, Congratulations!!! We are proud of everything you have accomplished. Your talent, creativity, and

strength will take you wherever you want to go. Follow your heart and dreams; you have a brilliant future ahead of you. Love Mom, Dad and Michelle

karmann weathersby



Thank you Karmann. Thank you for being my only daughter. Thank you for always trying your best. Thank you for growing into such a beautiful young woman. Thank you for giving me a chance to watch you grow and to look forward to the rest of your life. I'm so very proud of you. Thank you Karmann. Love Dad. I remember when you were just a baby, and some rich couple at the mall wanted to buy you. I remember when you were two years, and you decided to take a walk all by yourself. As you have grown, I've been able to share you with others. Now that you're graduating, I guess I have to learn to share you with the world. I will remember this too. Love Mom

aristotelis panousis



Congratulations, Telly. We are so proud of you and your accomplishments. You are a

fine, kind hearted young man. We wish you the very best that life has to offer. Always remember your family loves you and will be there for you. Good luck in college. Love Mom, Dad, and Irene

shawn andres



Watching you grow into the bright, wonderful young man you've become has made us very proud. So

much accomplished, so much still ahead. Our love and best wishes as you continue on. Trust in yourself, you can achieve all your dreams. Love, Mom and Dad

lauren rigg



Lauren, words cannot express what a joy you have been to us. You have been a fighter from the moment you were born two months early. We are extremely proud of all of your accomplishments in school and in sports, as well as your growth as a beautiful young woman. Your aspirations have always been extremely high and we have no doubt that whatever goals you set for yourself you will achieve them. We are even more proud of your determination, particularly when others have said that you can't or won't be able to do something. Whenever there have been obstacles placed before you, you have always risen to the challenge and succeeded. We are happy that you have had the opportunity to travel, try new things, and meet interesting people from across the country. These opportunities were available because of your hard work, dedication, and sacrifice. You have the world before you and we are looking forward to watching you discover all of the possibilities that college and life have to offer. You are

a wonderful role model to your younger brother and sisters and an amazing daughter. We are in awe of the remarkable person that

you have become. We love you and believe in you always, Dad, Mom, Chad, Madison, and Lexi

meg gjeldum

How very proud we are of you and your accomplishments over these past four years. You have matured into such a fine young woman and your father and I could not be more proud of you. You will always be loved beyond measure and our hope is that you will remember your past as you forge forward into the next season of your life. You have always soaked up every ounce of pleasure that your adventures afforded you. We encourage you to continue doing the same now. Reflect on your mistakes for a short time only as a means to learn from them; and seek to help as many people as you can in this lifetime. Use honesty as your platform for all your decisions; and seek God's face in all you do. Congratulations Meg, we love you, Mom and Dad.



grace myers



Grace, Gracie, Spider-Grace, Gracie-Lou... so many names, so many accomplishments! We are proud of everything you've achieved over the past four years. We cannot wait to see what the future holds for you. Always stay true to yourself and follow your heart. Love, Mom and Dad

brandon miksich



Brandon, we are very proud of you. Good luck in college. Whatever you decide to do, we know you will do your best. You are a very special person. Live every day to the fullest and enjoy life. We love you! Mom and Dad.

frank ruvoli



To our baby boy, Frank. We are very proud of the wonderful young man you have become. Follow

your dreams and keep working hard at whatever you do. Looking forward to voting for you for president in 2028! Love you, Mom & Dad

kaysee cieslak



Kaysee: We are so proud of the individual you have become and the accomplishments you have

achieved. You have always strived for success and it has paid off for you. Continue to study hard and you will have a bright future ahead of you. We are blessed to have you in our lives. Good luck at Ball State. We love you. Dad & Mom

jenny gross



Jenny Marie Gross, congratulations! We are sure your future will be as bright as your smile and beautiful blue

eyes. May you always find happiness in life as you follow your dreams. We will always love and support you along the way. Love, Mom, Dad, Jess, Jono, and Cole

joseph zimmer



Joey, congratulations. We are so proud of you! You have grown into a wonderful young man. We wish you

the best of luck in everything you do and know that we will always be there for you. All our love, Mom, Dad, and Brian.

erin kramer



Erin, we are so proud of you! You've become quite the young lady! You have this great spirit that lives within you,

and it makes you shine all the time. Don't ever lose that, and you can achieve anything you want. We love you. Mom, Dad and Family.

tim shanks



Your sense of humor continues to bring delight to those around you. Thank you

for making us proud and for growing up to be such an amazingly caring person. Congratulations and may your future be filled with love, laughter, and success. Love Mom and Dad

mary kathleen siuba



"My Darling Mary Kate" It happened in October, on the third to be exact, we received a special gift the little girl our family lacked. Her fingers were so delicate, and her cry was that way too as I gazed upon her little face I enjoyed her eyes of blue. I felt so awful that I questioned what God had planned for me, I'm so grateful that I waited and allowed God's will to be. For we never truly know the direction our life will take, our precious little baby girl was icing on the cake. To our little angel with the impish smile: From the very beginning you hurdled into our hearts, and the excitement you brought gave us joy and kept us jumping. Love, Mom, Dad, Shaun, Amanda, Brian, Scott and Baby Gregory



megan matura



Megan, we're very proud of the beautiful young lady you have become and all you have accomplished.

You have filled out lives with so many wonderful memories. As you enter college, keep reaching for your dreams. As you have proven in the past, nothing is impossible! Love, Mom, Dad, Jim, and Andy

laurie rutkowski



Laurie, you have always brought amazing joy and laughter to our lives. We are proud of all of your accomplish-

ments! Your passion for life, friendships, and helping those in need is truly inspirational! Pursue your dreams and enjoy the journey filled with new adventures. Love, Mom, Dad, Christina, and Missy.

brittany weiner



"Life's A Journey"
"It started many years ago
You learned to walk, you learned to throw

Dropping you off at preschool made me sad
when you cried, "Don't leave me Dad"

The years flew by, your knowledge grew
What is right, what not to do

An important lesson you would learn:
the things you want, you have to earn

You're personable and bright, you're on the ball
Hard work, good choices, you'll have it all

We wish you success in all you do
Mom and Dad are so proud of you!"
L o v e , D a d d y

sara starkey



Congratulations! We
are very
proud of
the wonder-
ful person
you've
become!
You have
brought us
joy and hap-
piness from
the moment
you were

born. You are such a sweetheart and we love
you very much! Sara, you are so smart and
beautiful, you can achieve any goal in life
as long as you work hard and believe. You
are our honey honey! Love, Mom and Dad

brittany kerwin



Brittany,
may your
future be
as bright as
your smile.
Treat each
day as a
new begin-
ning and
enjoy the
journey.
We are

so proud of you. Be happy.
Love, Dad, Mom, Brian, and Dan

nathan lozanoski

Nathan,
You have a bright and
wonderful future ahead
of you. Challenge your-
self and do not forget
to have fun. We are
very proud of you and
your accomplishments.
Love Dad, Mom, Phillip,
Thomas, and Katrina.



nicole bardoczi

OMG, Nicole! It is your senior year. It feels like yesterday
we were bringing our first born daughter home from the
hospital. You are a true gift
to us and are everything
we could possibly wish for
in a daughter and so much
more. God has blessed you
with a warm loving heart
and gift for perseverance.
Always believe in yourself.
Remember that success
isn't always measured
by your career choice or
salary, but rather by your
character and integrity. As
you begin the next chap-
ter of your life, remember that you can achieve anything
you put your mind to. God bless, Love: Mom and Dad.



matthew jezierski



Dear Mat-
thew, I
wanted
to let you
know how
proud we
all are
of you.
You have
brought so
much joy
and love to

our family. I miss the little boy that you once
were. I am looking forward to all the goals
and accomplishments you will achieve as
an adult. I hope all your dreams and wishes
come true. I love you very much. Mom.

lauren dermody



Dear
Lauren, You
have grown
into a beau-
tiful young
woman who
has made us
very proud.
Remember
all the good
times and
accomplish-
ments that have made you who you are today
and are persistent in following your dreams.
Continue to bring joy and laughter to every-
one you encounter and live life to the fullest.
We love you so much. Love, Mom and Dad.

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one you encounter and live life to the fullest.
We love you so much. Love, Mom and Dad.

amanda yukon



Congratulations to our dear Amanda Rose. You are
such a sweet, caring and giving person. You have
grown to be a wonderful woman and you will suc-
ceed in anything your heart desires. You are a no
nonsense kind of girl which allows you to not sweat
the small stuff. You are a wonderful daughter and
great sister to Troy. You were his number one fan
in hockey and we will never forget all the
countless hours you spent to make the
team signs and memories. You are a very
supportive daughter and sister. Thank you
for being a joy in our family and continue to
be the wonderful person you are. We love
you "CHEEKS" and wish you the very best
in the future. Love, Mom, Dad, and Troy



ashley travis



We are so
proud of all
you have
accom-
plished.
Stay
focused
on your
goals and
success
will follow
you. Keep

believing in yourself, and work hard
to make your dreams come true!
We love you, Mom, Dad, and Melissa

geoff bowman



Geoff: the
last Bowman
to graduate
from LC!
You know
how proud
we are; for
who you are,
who you will
be and all
the accom-
plishments
behind you.
Your pas-
sion and zest for life is an inspiration. May you
follow your dreams, grow in your faith, and allow
God to guide your steps. You are truly a blessing
and a wonderful son and brother. Love, Mom,
Dad, Brandyn, Jake, Chris, Kelli, and Casey.

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christine conrad



Congratu-
lations
Christy,
your hard
work and
determina-
tion has
brought
you to
gradua-
tion day,
but also to

the start of your next journey. We're
very proud of you and know your excel-
lence will shine wherever you go.
Love, Dad, Mom, Andrea, and Kimmy

michael adams



Congratu-
lations!
We're so
proud of you
and your
success.
Your future
holds many
exciting,
ne advent-
ures. Con-
tinue to stay

focused and strive to do your best. Always
remember to reach for the moon. Even
if you miss you'll land among the stars.
We love you! Mom, Dad, and Scott

alexandra kuersten



truth in your heart, and know you will always be our baby girl. We love you very, very much. Love, Dad and Mom

As you begin this new journey, we have complete faith you can rise to every challenge, conquer every dream, and find joy in every moment. Take each step with confidence,

shawn cockerham

It seems like just yesterday you were our little boy.

Now before our eyes you've grown into this young man. One with a great sense of humor, well mannered, very respectful, and such a joy. Always keep your values, your mind opened, and your guidelines in tact. We are very proud of you. Grab the world and hang on to it. Keep your feet on the ground and make the sky the limit. We love you, Mom & Dad



meredith cioffi



talented, loving, and special person. Live your life to the fullest and always know that we love you. Mom & Dad

Words cannot begin to tell you how proud of you we are and how much we love you. You are a beautiful,

jody compton



We cannot believe our smiling baby girl is graduating and going on to college. We are proud of you and only want the best for you. Set your goals high and follow your dreams. You will achieve all your goals if you believe in yourself. We love you "longer than a railroad track." Love, Mom and Dad



demetra kolintzas

Congrats on an awesome job! You've grown from a shy, timid little girl

into a gorgeous, independent, and bold young lady. Be confident and open-minded and use that stubborn streak to your advantage. After all, you are your father's daughter. Always keep your family and your heritage in your heart and on your mind. Be proud. You are living the dream your grandparents had when they came to this country. Keep their hope and faith alive by doing great things. You are

Yiayia Dimitra's namesake and even though she's gone you know she's looking down on you. Always keep with you Yiayia Dimitra's kindness & strength, Yiayia Nikki's patience & endless talents, both Papou's ethics & tirelessness, Baba's drive & wit, and Mom's love & selflessness and there is no stopping you. We are proud of your independence. Always listen to your heart. Be humble and always keep God in your heart. Always strive for more. Reach for the stars. We love you and hope all your dreams come true. Go forward & conquer the world. Love, Mom, Baba, Kris, & Nikko



kaitlyn bastie

Kaitlyn, What a beautiful young lady we have watched you become. Where has the time gone? We cannot believe that four years have come and gone! We are so very proud of all your accomplishments. Congratulations on your high school graduation. As you move forward in your life, know that you can do whatever you put your mind to. Moving onto the next phase of your life is exciting and rewarding all at the same time. Always look forward and know that Mom and Dad are always here for you. Follow your heart and keep on smiling that beautiful smile! We love you, Dad, Mom, Adam and Payton



meghan morales



We are so proud of you, Meg! Lots of love, Mom & Dad

allison penilla



you! Always remember how much you are loved and how much you will be missed. Never lose the specialness that is such a part of you. Remember to follow your dreams and you will go far! Love you all ways, Dad & Mom

We are all so proud of the young lady you have become. Congratulations on graduating from LCHS and Indiana University is so lucky to get

stephanie tarrant



We cannot believe eighteen years have gone by so fast. It seems like yesterday you were learning your ABC's, only the beginning of your many years of writing. We are so proud of you and your many accomplishments, we know you will have a very successful future. Always follow your dreams no matter what and keep reaching for the stars. We hope your experience at Ball State is fun and memorable even though we will miss you terribly!! God bless you always. Loads of love forever, Mom & Dad



lauren deyoung



Lauren, you have made us extremely proud and have accomplished more than we could ever have dreamed. You have grown into a beautiful person with good

morals and strong character. We have been blessed to have you as our daughter, and we know you will be successful in whatever you do! We love you and will miss you when you go away to college. Love, Mom and Dad

ashley martin



To our little Ashley "baby-doll." Where have all the years gone? We can't begin to tell you how much happiness, love, and laughter you've brought into our lives. We're so proud of the beautiful, bright, funny, and thoughtful loving daughter and sister you've become. Congratulations and may God bless you in everything you do. Love, Dad, Mom, & Erica

austin venhuizen



A few short lines in a yearbook cannot express the amount of pride we have in your accomplishments or the amount of joy you've given us over the years. May your future contain tenfold the boundless smiles and exuberant hugs you've blessed us with for the last eighteen years. All our love, Mom, Steve, Holly, Grandma, Grandpa, Indy, and Dani

kayla kerner



Congratulations Kayla! We are so proud of you. Continue in your hard work, believe in yourself and your dreams will surely come true. Remember, we will always be here for you. We love you, Mom, Dad, and Bella

shannon jones



Our Shannon, A gift from God, and joy and light to us, you shine. It seems only yesterday you were singing and dancing along with "Barney & Friends"... You're still singing and dancing, just not with Barney! We're so proud of the responsible, hardworking, kind, Christ-following beautiful young lady you have become. In good times and bad, rest assured we will always be here for you. Love, Mom, Dad, & Megan

morgan goldsmith

As you prepare to leave home and attend Indiana University you must remember what you mean to your family and your friends. I will assure you there will never be a day that we are not thinking about you and will be there for you unconditionally. Morgan, you're a very special person who is loved by your family and friends and we could not be prouder of who you are today. We love you, Mom & Dad



heather & samantha hofer



You have given us so much joy through the years. Watching the two of you grow and mature into beautiful young ladies. Congratulations, we are so proud of both of you. Good luck in the future and may all of your dreams come true. Love & Prayers, Mom and Dad

kaithlyn alcott



ABC's, 123's, tie your shoes, Nala in the play, camping trips, pocket knives, special teachers touch our lives, overnites, sister fights, girl scouts, soccer, little miss popular, ball games, high jump, 4x4, honor roll, ClarkBar mascot, trip to Europe, IU dreams, nursing it seems, do your best I am proud, I love you! Remember, if by distance we are apart - look at the moon and we will be together! love, mom

jenna noel



We are so proud of you, Jenna! You're a beautiful girl, inside and out. We will miss your soccer days. But you have so many adventures and opportunities ahead of you. We know you will be a great teacher! Study, work hard, and have fun at Ball State. We will miss you! We love you very much. Mom, Dad, and Kenny

hillary anthony



Very early in the morning of June 27, 1991 God gave us the best gift a person could receive. You were born. Hillary you have been such a joy and a blessing in our lives. We are so proud of the young lady you have become. We love your enjoyment of life, your unending energy, and your compassion. I love how you can enter a room and make everyone smile. Never lose the specialness that is such a main part of you. Trust in your heart. Live your dreams and you will achieve all of your many goals. Hillary, you are amazing and have a brilliant future ahead of you. Have fun at Purdue. Reach for the stars and know that whatever you do you will succeed. It's a big world out there; be confident and challenge yourself. Always remember you deserve all good things life has to offer. Be adventurous but stay focused, have faith and trust in God. We have been blessed with so many great memories and look forward to many, many more. Live life and have fun, believe in yourself, and your talent will flourish. Congratulations! We love you very much! You will always be our little princess.

Love Always, Mom, Dad, Nick, and Hanna

tara mcelmurry

To our sweet Tara Meyer McElmurry, You have been a joy since the day you were born! We can hardly believe that it's time for you to graduate high school. Thank you for your great attitude, hard work and smile! Being your parents has been easy, fun and always rewarding. Saying that we are proud of your accomplishments in high school isn't enough - you have exceeded our dreams! Plus you're the best sister a girl could ever have. We send you off to college confident that you are well prepared and ready for the next chapter in your life. You can do anything, be anything and are ready for anything!



kristin greenwood



Look how cute you were back then. Your smile warmed our hearts each day. Now that you've grown up to be so very beautiful. Your smile continues to captivate our hearts. Congratulations on your high school graduation, we are so proud of you. Best wishes and good luck at college. We love you! Mom and Dad

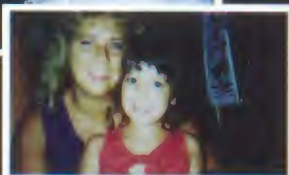
andrew gard



Wow! It's hard to believe so many years have passed. You've grown into such a fine and caring young man.

The future holds many new adventures, so reach for the stars. We hope all your dreams and wishes come true. We're all so proud of you! Love you, Dad, Karen, Ash, Noah, & Luke

amanda bartlett



Precious Baby Girl,

I knew the minute you were born you were very special! Watching you grow up was such a pleasure... you brought happiness to everyone around you with your great big smile! From preschool when you leaped into kindergarten at 4 years old to high school wondering and worrying about college. The time has flown by with all of your accomplishments.

Swim meets and Junior Olympics, bowling, basketball and finally club and HS volleyball. Together we were exhausted from one place to the next but in the end we had fun. When you go to college I will miss you terribly, my baby girl, my best friend. Remember follow your heart in everything you do. I love you more than you can ever know.

MOM

luke butkovic



Wasn't it just yesterday you were this sweet, adorable little boy? Now you've become such a wonderful, handsome young man. We are so blessed to have you in our lives. Follow your dreams. Believe in yourself and there will be no limit to what you can do. We're all so proud of you! Love you, Mom, Jeff, Ash, Noah, & Drew

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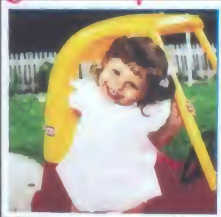
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dimaggio



Dear Nina, of all the girls in all the world, how wonderful that you were born to us. You are every blessing we could have hoped for. We are so proud of your choices your accomplishments, big and small, and thank goodness for your sense of humor. Raising you and witnessing all of this, it has been great fun and a pleasure. Nina, We know you can succeed in everything you do. Work hard, enjoy this life and write back! All our love, Mom, Pop, and Nick

jennifer gazdick



From beautiful baby girl to beautiful young lady, you've become. To talented dancer to gifted artist, to exceptional

student. We couldn't be more proud of you going off to college to continue your education and pursue your life long dream. Always believe in yourself, as you follow your dreams. We wish you a lifetime of Love, Happiness, and Success. Enjoy Life. Love, Dad, Mom and Mike

stacy sobek



Congratulations Stacy! Always remember trust in God, believe in yourself, follow your

dreams and know we will always be by your side. We are very proud of you! Love Mom, Dad, and Jake!



mega downey

Megan, We are so very proud that you have grown into a compassionate, sensitive and principled young woman. But remember, no matter how much you grow up and mature, you will always be our little girl. Congratulations on your success and remember graduation is not the end, but only the beginning of a very exciting time in your life. Stay positive and focused on your goals and you will succeed. Dream no small dream. May God always keep you safe, healthy and happy. And most of all, keep smiling. We love you very much. Love, Mom, Dad and Mike.



jacob zatorski

How quickly time passes. Your first days of school seem like they were just yesterday and now we celebrate your high school graduation. From taking your first steps, to driving your first miles. From getting your first job, to accomplishing the Eagle Scout rank. From staying up at night to study for a test, to getting accepted to the Fine Arts program in Chicago. You have turned out to be a fine young man and we are very proud of all the accomplishments that you have made. We wish you the brightest future as you set out to experience all that life has to offer. As you prepare for what will be the greatest years of your life, always remember that throughout the peaks and valleys, we will always be there to support you along the way. Congratulations on this great accomplishment. Love, Mom and Dad



samantha maloney

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sarah shaw



Sarah, You are everything we hoped you would be and more. Your brother and parents love you for all

the wonderful things you are, and we know your future will be bright and successful. Love Mom, Dad, and Matt

garrett nosal



Garret, We are so proud of you and the person you have become. Follow your dreams. Believe in your

self and know we will always be there for you. Love Mom and Dad

amanda welch



Amanda, We have enjoyed watching you grow into a beautiful, kind young woman. We are very proud

of you and everything you have accomplished. We know you will continue to make your dreams come true. Keep smiling and remember you will always be our little girl. We love you so much "spanky" Love Mom, Dad, and Sarah.

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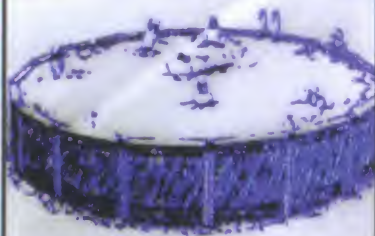
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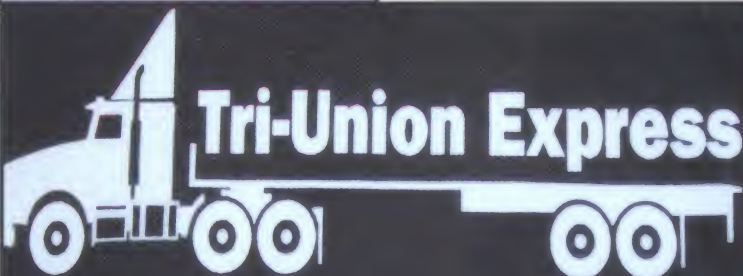
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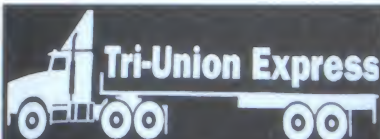


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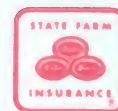
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from the editors-in-chief:



It all started out making the trip down to Muncie, IN with a donut in hand and the Blizzard fan safely packed in trunk. Missing four of our six editors, we had to brave the Ball State Summer Workshops all on our own. Thankfully, we had VP to help us along the way. "I'm just talkin' here" became a "coined phrase" as we spent endless hours in the BSU library brainstorming our theme and design ideas. We even skipped out on the end of the week dance to work until 8:30 and creep on facebook until our 11:30 curfew. Coming home with solid and unique ideas, we

were ready to start the year. Before we could start on our new book, though, we had to become acquainted with our new home, S110, and our fresh out of intro staff members. Although we were so excited about our theme idea, we had to get the other editors and staff on board. Luckily, they were open and accepting to the new idea of a slightly un-traditional book. We had taken the idea of feature pages and magnified it to the first 48 pages of our book. In October we went to the Indiana State J-Convention at Franklin College. Katie Skura from our own Quiver family won an award along with both of us. Shortly after our trip downstate, we got on a plane and ventured to St. Louis, MO. Waking up bright and early, we attended our first workshops and competed in national contests among 5,000 high school journalism students later that night. STL wasn't all business. We had time to see the sights like the City Museum and the famous Arch. Right after getting to school Monday morning, we found out that Anita Thomas, Matt Cashen, and Karee received awards for their on-site contests. Later that day, we were thrilled to find out that the 2007-2008 In&Out book received the Best in Show award and was ranked 9th in the nation. After St. Louis, we were ready to start on our first deadline and embark on our new features. Be Innovative covered the new cafeteria. Be Amazed covered the Northwest Indiana flooding, and Be Tired covered morning swimming practices, just to name a few. As editors and as a staff, we wanted to create a book with unique in-depth and different coverage. First deadline proved to be putting that goal into motion. The staff wowed us with their fresh ideas and design techniques. Stressed out editors seems to be a norm, but we always made it through the hard times with the help of VP and Jimmy Johns delivery. Our work nights had new company this year as DVP and Miles would come to keep us company and share our Jimmy Johns. Without the staff and their hard work, this year would have been impossible. Their creative ideas and willingness to share and accept new ideas helped to motivate and inspire the editors. As for the editors, we continuously grew closer throughout the year. We acted as each others backbone when we were having a rough day. Spending over 20 hours together a week, we came to know and love each other. Amanda Welch was constantly there with a smile to brighten your day. That smile would only fade a little the couple times our pages mysteriously disappeared. Amanda's constant good mood always seemed to rub off on us when we were having a bad day. Genna Noel's sarcastic remarks were always sure to make us laugh no matter how stressed out we were. Although she was constantly poking fun at the five of us, the editorial board wouldn't have been the same without her and her hilarious remarks. Stacy Sobek was, without a doubt, the most helpful editor. She was constantly there to help the staff and editors with whatever they needed. Sam Maloney was always there if you needed a HUGE hug and being the loudest of the editors, she was always able to get the staffs attention when we needed it. Without our other four editors, creating the book would have been unattainable. They helped us to fuel our ideas and create them into a reality. Although this year has had its ups and downs, being an editor for Quiver has truly been a life-changing experience. Through all the hard work and good times, the staff and editors have come together to create a book that we can all be proud of.



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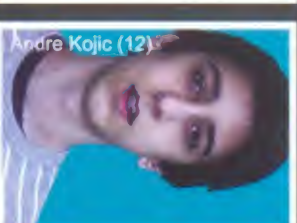
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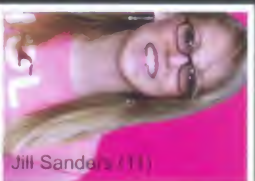
from the student directors:

- "Being student director is like being the head of a family. I teach them and guide them, then they make their segments and make me proud," Frank Ruvoli (12) said.
- "Being appointed Student Director was a great experience. I like to help people and and I was the person to go to when any of my classmates needed help or had questions about segments and ideas," Alexandra Kuersten (12) said.
- "Being Sports Director for LCTV the past two years has really taught me alot about putting a production together. I have really enjoyed this position very much," Britni Weiner (12) said.

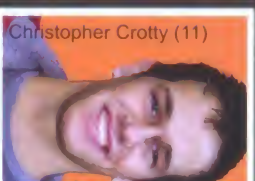
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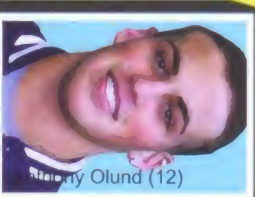
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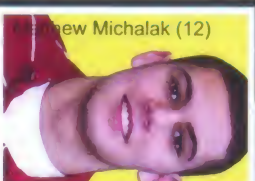
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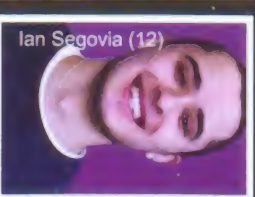
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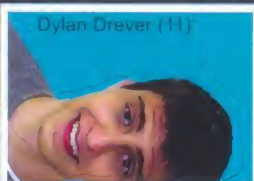
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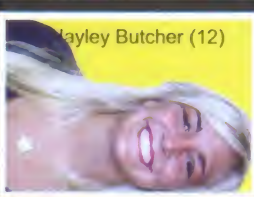
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internship

Front Row: Heather Kwiecinski (12), Erica Gorton (12), Ashley Travis (12), Cameron Duncan (12), Amanda Bartlett (12), Jamie Huisenga (12), Jacquelyn Guillermo (12), Amanda Unhock (12), Matthew Philbin (12) Second Row: Barbara Buschny (12), Kaysee Cieslak (12), Dean Peters (12), Andrea Olson (12), Alyssa Kowaleski (12), Jacob Rhoady (12), Tara Barnes (12), Sarah Gunkel (12)

Sponsor: Mrs. Kathy Rosinski, Business. The Professional Career Internship Program allows students to experience the profession they are interested in before they decide what they want to do after high school. **be internships:** "The best part about the internship program is the experience I've gotten and the things I have learned. I have gotten to see so many things that people normally don't get a chance to see," Andrea Olson (12) said.



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Sponsors: Miss Nancy Tilka, French The French Club is for French students who are interested in furthering their knowledge in French club **be French club:** "The best part is the activities we do. My favorite is the crepe making activity. It's a fun club, and you learn a little more about the language and the culture," Alyce Gargas (11) said.



academic letterwinners

Front Row: Shloka Kini (12), Daina Dangerfield (11), Lauren Rigg (12) Second Row: Aanchal Sanghvi (12), Mrs. Rebecca Magee, Social Studies

Sponsors: Mrs. Rebecca Magee **Officers:** Lauren Rigg (12), Shloka Kini (12), Daina Dangerfield (12), Aanchal Sanghvi (12) Four Academic Letterwinner officers were chosen at the end of the 2007-2008 school year. They meet to fill orders for the patches that will be given out. **be academic letterwinner officers:** "The club recognizes the top academic students in the school, and the officers hand out all the patches for letterman's jackets," Lauren Rigg (12) said.



academic letterwinners

Front Row: Batul Contractor (10), Arthi Vezhavendan (10), Kristin Greenwood (12), Samantha Terry (10), Alexis Gutierrez (10), Anna Kaciis (10) Second Row: Courtney Mirkov (10), Trisha Shanahan (10), Cecelia Lai (10), Jennifer Guizar (10), Hannah Nava (10), Michael Gard (10) Third Row: Nikolina Savic (10), Brittney Brady (11), Jessica Lyza (10), Meghan Blais (10), Anita Thomas (12) Fourth Row: Audrey Robertson (11), Leah Thomas (10), Ellen Geisen (10), Nicolette Mehas (10), Chelsea Keith (11) Fifth Row: Bridget Swope (11), Kristina Hemmerling (11), Amber Zendzian (11), Patrick Lewis (12)

Sponsors: Mrs. Rebecca Magee, Social Studies **Officers:** Aanchal Sanghvi (12), Shloka Kini (12), Lauren Rigg (12), and Daina Dangerfield (11) Academic letterwinners recognize students with outstanding work in the classroom and a high GPA. Students work hard throughout the year and are rewarded with letters or badges for their letterman's jacket **be academic letterwinners:** "The benefit of Academic Letterwinners include scholarships. It is a good club to put on college applications as well," Batul Contractor (10) said.

french club

Front Row: Samantha Boersma (9), Elizabeth Gellert (9), Daniel O'Connor (9), Matthew Radencic (11), William Jarvis (12), Michal Broniek (12) Second Row: Eric Hickok (10), Cesar Pulido (10), Nicole Toler (9), Ryan Macnak (12), Madeleine Carlson (9), Mrs. Nancy Tilka, French Third Row: Ashley Kahn (10), Kyle Thorne (9), Mark Bottger (11), Zenon Mills (11), Andrew Siegle (12), Miranda Peterson (10) Fourth Row: Jonathan Kowalski (12), Justin Urbani (10), Miquan Scaife (11), Chris Zaglaras (11), Grant McCormack (11), Chian Kim (10)

Sponsors: Ms. Nancy Tilka, French. The French Club is for french students who are interested in furthering their knowledge in French club **be** French club: "I joined because I wanted to do something after school. I was so excited to be in French I that when I heard there was a club, I couldn't believe it," Daniel O'Connor (9) said.



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Sponsors: Mrs. Rachel Underwood, Social Studies **Officers:** Diana Dieguez (10) and Ariana Starks (10) - co-presidents, Annemarie Romppa (12) - vice president Brandie Davis (12) - secretary, Melinda Lopez (11) - treasurer. **be student council:** "The best part about student council is pulling things together and meeting the people each year," Ariana Starks (10) said.



Front Row: Megan Trincot (10), Jessica Bouma (10), Mary Thomas (10), Zachary Propper (11), Jamie Huisenga (12), Megan Matura (12), Laurie Rutkowski (12) Second Row: Alana EATINGER (10), Katherine Krull (11), Dana Payonk (11), Rachel Zajac (12), Samantha Quinn (12), Jacqueline Berg (10), Kristen Flens (10) Third Row: Katie Kozy (10), Carolyn Sandrick (10), Matthew Telfas (10), Kevin Wojcik (12), Emily Schultz (12), Jake Markiewicz (10), Kristina Schafer (11)

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academic letterwinners

Front Row: Kimberley Kovacic (12), Aanchal Sanghvi (12), Timothy Sokolowski (12), Jessica Smith (9), Joseph Rybicki (11), Eric Hickok (10) Second Row: Cheryl Jordan (12), Annemarie Romppa (12), Brandie Davis (12), Daniel Peterson (11), Matthew Rybicki (11), Pukhraj Chhokar (11) Third Row: Lauren Rigg (12), Lauren DeYoung (12), Daniel Heath (11), Stevan Tomich (12), Rebecca Garcia (10), Jenny Kranc (12) Fourth Row: Matthew Jezierski (12), Austin Vanhuizen (12), Matthew Siorek (12), Amrao Bahadur Chhokar (12), Thomas Fitzpatrick (12), Michael Nalezny (11)

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freshman art club

Front Row: Gabrielle Diaz (9), Danielle Dobkowski (9), Courtney Barnes (9), Emily Hendrickson (9)

Sponsors: Mrs. Jennifer Elliott, art. Art club is a place where the students can let their imagination and creativity run wild making all different kinds of projects throughout the year. **be freshman art club:** "My best memory of art club was when we painted christmas ornaments," Courtney Barnes (9) said.



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Sponsors: Mrs. Robin May, guidance, and Mr. Al Angel, science. The Freshman Class Cabinet does fundraisers and other activities to raise money for the school. **be freshman class cabinet:** "What I like best about Freshman Class Cabinet is that colleges are going to look highly for those things, and it can give me a chance to hopefully be class president," Monica Wartman (9) said.



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Sponsors: Mr. David Harnish, science, Mrs. Penny Tokoly, English, Mrs. Maureen Yeager, art, Mr. Tom Clark, social studies. **Officers:** Steven Tomich (12), Mark Kalinich (12), Matthew Rybicki (12), Panagiota Doukas (12). Academic Superbowl is a competition with four different subjects. The team has to answer subject related questions on the theme of the year. **be academic superbowl:** "The best time in Academic Superbowl was bringing a boom box to competition and watching other teams tremble to our viking rock," Steven Tomich (12) said.

bpa

Front Row: Stephanie Collins (12), Batul Contractor (10), Cecelia Lai (10), Arthi Vezhavendan (10) Second Row: Jeffery Trembacki (11), Timothy Labahn (11), Jeffrey Nottingham (11), Andrew Srisuwananukorn (12), Bradley Zditosky (12) Third Row: Garrett Rietveld (11), Zachary Nava (11), Colin Hoernig (12), Michal Broniek (12), Douglas Lannin (11), Joshua Florio (12) Forth Row: Ryan Macnak (12), Brian Hudl (10), Brett Kelly (10)

Sponsors: Mrs. Rita Chavez, business. **Officers:** Andrew Siegle (12), president along with four other officers. BPA uses computer and business skills to compete with other students in competitions. **be BPA:** "I love working with computers and BPA gave me that opportunity to do this, and the people are awesome," Jeffrey Nottingham (11) said.



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Front Row: Andrew Siegle (12), Jay Lannin (12), Joseph Maguire (12), Brett Guiden (12), Jason Piercy (11) Second Row: Jonathan Borgetti (12), Jason Macnak (11), Richard Reasons (11), Keegan Hernandez (11) Third Row: Zachary King (9), Michael Nalezny (11), Andrew Companik (10), Mark Berg (11) Marc Brouillette (11) Forth Row: John Steinmueller (11), Michael Frick (11), Nicholas West (12), Stevan Tomich (12), Adam Hendrickson (12), Corey Homcho (11)

Sponsors: Mrs. Rita Chavez, business. **Officers:** Andrew Siegle (12), president, along with four other officers BPA uses computer and business skills to compete with other students in competitions. **be BPA:** "Every competition we do stands out in my mind because it's just a bunch of like-minded people with the same interests having fun and competing over things we enjoy," Richard Reasons (11) said.



science olympiad

Front Row: Corinne Wilschke (9), Kaitlynn McCabe (10), Batul Contractor (10), Cecelia Lai (10), John Hemmerling (9), Arthi Vezhavendan (10) Second Row: Ryan McCabe (12), Emily Schultz (12), Kristen Flens (10), Christine Murzyn (10), Danielle Kulina (9), Charles Sayger (9) Third Row: Adam Karcz (11), Michael Klamo (12), William Pollalis (9), Zachary King (9)

Sponsors: Mr. Fred Farnell, science. **Officers:** Emily Schultz (12) Science Olympiad is like a science olympics. The club competes with other schools in different areas of science. **be science olympiad:** "The best part of Science Olympiad was that I meet all of my really good friends last year from it," Emily Schultz (12) said.



photo club

Front Row: Danielle Gioiosa (10), Jee-Hyun Kim-Chiang (10), Kathleen Dienes (10), Angel Makowski (9) Second Row: Taylor Rimmele (10), Megan Rademacher (9), Monica Wartman (9), Araceli Barrientez (10), Emma Harowski (10) Third Row: Alyssa Whitten (10), Taylor Triemstra (9), Melissa Shell (9), Cymone Wright (10), Anna Weber (9) Forth Row: Grant McCormack (11), Antonio Trevino (10), Cesar Pulido (10)

Sponsors: Ms. Carrie Wadycki, English. **Officers:** Danielle Gioiosa (10), president, and Emma Harowski (9), vice president. Photo club consists of taking pictures and learning the basics of photography. **be photo club:** "The best part about photo club is learning and experiencing more about photography and sharing it with others," Emma Harowski (10) said.

superfans

Front Row: Tiffany Thupvong-Huckaby (9), Cody Davitt (9), Jenna Pritchett (9), Paige Kuersten (9), Kyle Ayersman (9), Jessica Matus (11) Second Row: Carolyn Sandrick (10), Megan Matura (12), Laurie Rutkowski (12), Britni Weiner (12), Kall Pittman (11), Bridget Swope (11), Collin Seren (9) Third Row: Jordan Schoon (9), Zachary Miklusak (9), Matthew LeVeque (9), Evan Elliot (9), Kaysee Cieslak (12), Katherine Gergets (11) Fourth Row: Stevan Tomlich (12), Aanchal Sanghvi (12).

Sponsor: Mrs. Kathy Szewciw, FACS. Superfans is a group of all the huge fans of our school. They go to almost all of the games to show their pride and school spirit. **be superfans:** "Being a superfan means cheering for our school as a big group and having fun together," Katherine Gergets (11) said.



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chess club

Front Row: Arthi Vezhavendan (10), Batul Contractor (10), Cecelia Lai (10), Courtney Scott (10), Christina Dal Santo (11) Second Row: Nicholas Griffiths (10), Joseph Rybicki (11), Stefan Parra (12), Thomas Prendergast (10) Third Row: Jonathan Kowalski (12), Blaine O'Neill-Perez (9), Richard Zamora (10), Michael Klamro (12).

Sponsors: Mr. Darrell Wierzol, English. Chess club consists of 13 members. The main events of chess club are it's two tournaments: one played individually and one played as a group of four. **be chess club:** "Our sponsor doesn't often play against students. Apparently it's against his morals, but he talks to everyone the whole time. Usually he picks fights," Arthi Vezhavendan (10) said.



senior class cabinet

Front Row: Samantha Zahm (12), Kimberley Kovacic (12), Caitlin Godoy (12), Brianne Gargas (12), Kristin Greenwood (12) Second Row: Jenny Kranc (12), Kaysee Cieslak (12), Alaina Ciarrocchi (12), Britni Weiner (12), Jamie Huisenga (12), Fedah Shatat (12) Third Row: Aanchal Sanghvi (12), Kristen Calhoun (12), Christy Paulauski (12), Lauren Troester (12), Stevan Tomlich (12).

Sponsors: Mrs. Kristina Ochman, guidance, and Mrs. Erin Novak, English. **Officers:** Britni Weiner (12), Alaina Ciarrocchi (12), and Stephanie Collins (12). Senior Class Cabinet has 16 members. Senior Class Cabinet holds many responsibilities. These members are in charge of fundraisers and they also plan Senior Banquet. **be senior class cabinet:** "Being part of senior class cabinet is an eye-opener on how much Lake Central needs its students to be involved in order to make LC a better place," Britni Weiner (12) said.



Front Row: Stephanie Mikolajczyk (11), Theodora Bairaktaris (11), Natalie Bzdyl (11), Samantha Tarrant (11) Second Row: Michelle Sweeney (11), Laurel Smith (11), Brittney Brady (11) Third Row: Nikolina Ajder (11), Lessie Reeves (11), Brooke Carnahan (11), Megan Hammer (11) Fourth Row: Alaina Reynolds (11), David Walters (11), Nicole Kuehner (11).

Sponsors: Ms. Joan Loden, math, and Mrs. Lisa Moreno, science. Junior class cabinet has 14 members. The club's main responsibility is planning prom. Without officers, they all work together to get the job done. **be junior class cabinet:** "I really enjoy being able to plan important events with my friends that I will remember all my life," Nikolina Ajder (11) said.

word of life

Front Row: London Martin (9), Brittany Jones (10), Jillian Ruiz (12), Marianna Whaley (11), Andrea Roman (12) Second Row: Nicole Brassea (12), Andrea Olson (12), Sarah Stedt (10), Christie Callahan (11) Third Row: Ashley Dobson (9), Zachary Propper (11), Katie Gindl (12).

Sponsors: Ms. Rachel Thomas, foreign languages. **Word of Life** is a bible club founded to give students a place at a public school to learn about God. There are 12 members in Word of Life. **be word of life:** "We come together to talk about our struggles and to encourage each other. We also read from scripture and pray together," Brittany Jones (10) said.



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wayword bible club

Front Row: Stephanie Collins (12), Kelly Bourget (10), Grace Calderone (10), Stephanie St. Amour (10) Second Row: Kaitlin Westlund (10), Cyle Nicholls (11), Rachel Engels (10).

Wayword Bible Club gives students somewhere positive to meet and hangout with other Christians. There are seven members in Wayword Bible Club. **be wayword bible club:** "It's a very open bible club. Everyone is friends within the club, so it's a very open atmosphere. Wayword is helping me make the right decisions in my everyday life," Rachel Engels (10) said.



scout

Front Row: Samantha Rechlicz (10), Anita Thomas (12), Kelleigh Romba (11), Grace Calderone (10), Paulina Baczowski (10) Second Row: Samantha Quinn (12), Emily Samsel (12), Megan Duffy (12), Molly Rupp (11) Third Row: Jay Lannin (12), Austin Meyer (12), Michael Majchrowicz (10), Trisha Shanahan (10), Kelly Bourget (10) Fourth Row: Joseph O'Rourke (12), Matthew Cashen (12), Milana Katic (11), Michael Peddycord (12).

Sponsors: Ms. Carrie Wadycki, English. **Officers:** Anita Thomas (12), Matthew Cashen (12), Megan Duffy (12), Amelia Marmolejo (11), and Samantha Quinn (12). **Scout** is the newspaper at Lake Central. **Scout** is a student-run publication. There are 23 members on the newspaper staff and five top editors. **be scout:** "I love that I have a voice. I'm generally a quiet person, but through *Scout* my opinion matters," Anita Thomas (12) said.



Front Row: Samantha Maloney (12), Brittany Krstulovich (11), Jessica Moore (11), Stephanie Tarrant (12), Genna Noel (12), Amanda Welch (12), Stephanie Slevnik (11), Brianne Flores (11) Second Row: Karee Hackel (12), Tara McElmurry (12), Stephanie Costa (12), Katherine Skura (11), Ariele Morris (11), Brittany Bencur (11), Rebeka Kasper (11), Stacy Sobek (12) Third Row: Lailani Castaneda (11), Allison Mender (10), Emily Hogg (11), Michelle Sweeney (11), Morgan Goldsmith (12), Emily Levin (12), Nina DiMaggio (12) Fourth Row: Alaina Reynolds (11), Brittany Grzesik (11), Megan Trincot (10), Rebecca Kimberly (10), Colleen McElmurry (10), Emily Ganza (12), Lindsey Janiga (12), Kaitlyn Bastie (12), Christine Conrad (12), Karmann Weathersby (12) Fifth Row: Lyle Cherven (12), Christopher Perez (10), Jennifer Gamboa (11), Emily DeMario (11), Annemarie Rompca (12), Lauren Rigg (12), Kaitlyn Toczek (12), Jeremy Harrison (12), and Mrs. Sarah Verpooten.

Sponsors: Mrs. Sarah Verpooten, English. **Officers:** Tara McElmurry (12), Karee Hackel (12), Samantha Maloney (12), Stacy Sobek (12), Amanda Welch (12), and Genna Noel (12). **Quiver** is the yearbook at Lake Central. **Quiver** is a student-run publication. There are 46 members on the yearbook staff and six top editors. **be quiver:** "Quiver is so much fun. It takes a lot of time, but all the effort is completely worth it when the book finally comes out," Stephanie Slevnik (11) said.

international thespian society

Front Row: Kevin Badtger (12), Mark Bottger (11), Joseph Maguire (12), William Jarvis (12), Michael Flores (11), Rebecka Kasper (11) Row 2: Joseph Synakiewicz (12), David Walters (11), Sean O'Brien (11), Matthew Jezewski (12), Shawn Beach (10), Brett Guiden (12), Mark Bottger (11) Back Row: Jonathan Kowalski (12), Evan Stahl (11), Mitchell Anthony (12), Zachary Adamczyk (12)

Sponsors: Mr. Raymond Palasz, English. **Officers:** Emily Watson (12), Haley Borodine (12), Grant McCormack (11), Christy Paulauski (12), Emily Hogg (11). **be ITS:** "Theater is a great experience, and it allows you to grow and meet new people and make new friends," David Nathaniel Waters (11) said.



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international thespian society

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Sponsors: Mr. Raymond Palasz **Officers:** Emily Watson (12), Haley Borodine (12), Grant McCormack (11), Christy Paulauski (12), Emily Hogg (11). **International thespian society** prepares students to compete in theatre events, both acting and technical, as well as to participate in workshops. **be ITS:** "ITS has a lot of fun people who are always accepting no matter what, and I've come to feel that everyone in it is really like a family," Megan Hammer (11) said.



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Front Row: Phillip Foreman (11), Kaysha Vos (11), Michael Brandner (11), LeVisa Evans (9) Row 2: Christina Radinovic (9), Alexandra Quinn (12), Christy Paulauski (12), Samantha Quinn (12), Amanda Bartlett (12), Brandie Davis (12) Row 3: Lyle Cherven (12), Timothy Sokolowski (12), Michael Peddycord (12), Lucas Panfil (12), Benjamin Parchem (12), Stevan Tomich (12), Eric Banvich (11) Back Row: Katherine Gergets (11), Danielle Durochik (11), Milana Katic (11), Chris Zaglaras (11), Michael Nalezny (11), Daniel Heath (11), Tomas Bandurk (11)

Sponsors: Mr. Tom Clark, Social Studies. **Interact** is a club that helps a lot of charities and gives back to the community. They also sponsor a food drive through Lake Central every year. **be interact:** "It has helped me to see just how caring high school students can be," Kaysha Vos (11) said.



interact

Front Row: Daniel Rojas (9), Carlos Hernandez (11), Jessica Lyza (10), Molly Rupp (11), Samantha Candrea (11) Row 2: Bridget Swope (11), Katarzyna Dudzik (11), Christina Rybicki (9), Nikolina Ajder (11), Brittney Brady (11), Nicholas Favela (10) Row 3: Daniel Peterson (11), Matthew Radencic (11), Stephanie Collins (12), Kayla Wierzbicki (12), Sara Williams (11) Back Row: Jay Lannin (12), Anachal Sanghvi (12)

Sponsors: Mr. Tom Clark, Social Studies. **Interact** is a club that helps a lot of charities and gives back to the community. **be interact:** "Interact is really fun because we get to help people less fortunate," Molly Rupp (11) said.

spanish club

Front Row: Alyssa Amescua (9), Jillian Ruiz (12), Clarissa Pinto (9), Christina DalSanto (11), Charity Newsome (11) Row 2: Katherine Krull (11), Jennifer Guizar (10), Caitlin Amescua (11) Row 3: Alberto Trejo (11), Zenon Mills (11), Michael Frick (11), Anthony Partacz (9), Ryan Ruiz (12) Back Row: Lyle Cherven (12), Timothy Sokolowski (12)

Sponsor: Mrs. Christina Schneider, Spanish. The Spanish Club allows students to experience cultural aspects of the countries they are studying. They do a variety of activities such as: two cooking events, soccer, and dancing lessons. **be Spanish:** "Spanish Club brings good times and loads of fun into your school year," Alyssa Amescua (9) said.



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debate club

Front Row: Shloka Kini (12), Tiffany Thupvong (9), Cassandra Neal (11), Hannah Nava (10), Emily Hogg (11) Row 2: Oswaldo Luis Ramirez (11), Nicholas Griffiths (10), Brett Kelly (10), Blaine O'Neill-Perez (9), Justin Pavlina (10), Jessica Lyza (10) Back Row: Jackson Fagan (11), Zachary King (9), Michael Peddycord (12), Stevan Tomich (12), Mark Kalinich (12)

Sponsor: Mr. Darrell Wierzal, English. **Officers:** Stevan Tomich (12), Mark Kalinich (12), Shloka Kini (12). The debate team works on a topic given by the National Forensics League for a month for competition, and then go to competitions. They are assigned to debate their argument, whether for or against the topic. **be debate:** "There is something for everyone to enjoy," Zachary King (9) said.



interact

Front Row: Anita Thomas (12), Alyssa Kasper (11), Desiree Meyer (12), Sarah Shaw (12), Brooke Burczyk (12), Britni Weiner (12) Row 2: Batul Contractor (10), Kristin Greenwood (12), Shloka Kini (12), Megan Anderson (10), Emilie Middleton (10), Courtney Mirkov (10) Row 3: Leah Cerwinske (12), Angela Gallagher (12), Julia Cook (12), Arthi Vezhavendan (10), Nikolina Savic (10) Back Row: Jessica Matus (11), Samantha Tarrant (11)

Sponsors: Mr. Tom Clark, social studies. Interact is a club that helps a lot of charities and gives back to the community. **be interact:** "Interact is a fun way to help less fortunate. Interact raises money to help people and does fundraisers for different groups of people throughout the school year," Emilie Middleton (10) said.



young americans organization

Front Row: Sarah Shaw (12), Angela Gallagher (12), Panagioti Dukas (12), Bridget Swope (11), Emily Schultz (12) Back Row: Stevan Tomich (12), Roger Sammon (12), Daniel Heath (11), Thomas Fitzpatrick (12)

Sponsors: Mrs. Koula Amana-tidis, social studies. **Officers:** Roger Sammon (12) and Angela Gallagher (12). Young Americans Organization provides an open forum for Lake Central students to participate in politics and current events. It is a club to promote political awareness among teenagers and fellow classmates. **be YAO:** "If you enjoy politics, then I would recommend joining. We talk politics and ran the mock election this year," Daniel Heath (11) said.

spell bowl

Front Row: Samantha Quinn (12), Heather Kwiecinski (12)
Back Row: Christopher Kulik (12), Stevan Tomich Jr. (12), Alexander Masleid (12)

Sponsors: Mr. Jack Moorehouse, English. Every Friday Spell Bowl meets to have practice for an hour. They practice the spelling list that the State provides. be spell bowl: "We had a good group! The spell bowl team was amazing and very enthusiastic. They were a dedicated group," Mr. Moorehouse said.



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sophomore class cabinet

Front Row: Grace Calderone (10), Courtney Mirkov (10), Nikolina Savic (10), Sophie Chatzianndreu (10)
Back Row: Cesar Pulido (10), Megan Trincot (10)

Sponsors: Mrs. Sarah Verpooten, English, and Mrs. Carrie Wadycki, English. Sophomore class cabinet is a supporting cabinet for the Junior Class Cabinet. be sophomore class cabinet: "Despite that sophomore class cabinet did not really do much, I really liked being in it and enjoyed it a lot," Nikolina Savic (10) said.



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chemistry club

First Row: Audrey Robertson (11), Madison Carroll (11) Second Row: Erik Bisson (11), Adam Karcz (11), Christ Zagiaras (11) Third Row: Stevan Tomich Jr. (12), Aanchal Sanghvi (12), Mark Kalinich (12), Amrao Chhokar (12)

Sponsors: Mr. Kendal Smith, science. **Officers:** Mark Kalinich (12) and Stevan Tomich (12). Chemistry club is organized to help other students with chemistry and do fun and exciting experiments. be chemistry club: "Our state of goal is to help visualize students goals in science," Mark Kalinich (12) said.



art club

First Row: Erica Yothment (11), Raven Neal (11), Mariana Escue (11) Second Row: Jessica Tas (11), Emily Sarbjeski (11), Katelyn Kalk (11), Christie Callahan (11)

Sponsors: Ms. Jen Elliot, art. Art club ables students to show off their creative side and become more involved in improving ones art skills. be art club: "Art Club is a fun group to express yourself outside of school. We do a lot of interesting projects," Jessica Tas (11) said.

n-teens

Front Row: Charity Newsome (12), Marrianna Whaley (11), Dejana Nonkovic (9), Marisa Palacios (9), Anastasia Buchnat (12), Leanne Witulski (12) Middle Row: Grecia Miranda (9), Alexis Plasencia (9), Erica Yothment (11), London Martin (9), Margaret Howe (9), Rebecca Budimir (9) Back Row: Araceli Barrientoz (10), Eva Purnick (11), Stephanie Mikolajczyk (11), Samantha Gindi (11), Danielle Wiggins (9), Monica Wartman (9)

Sponsors: Mrs. Erin Rawls, math. **Officers:** Michelle Roberts (12), Nina Erler (12), Alaina Reynolds (11), Molly Rupp (11), Erica Yothment (11), Cesar Pulido (10). N-teens is a close knit group of students who helps out the community by doing volunteer work. be n-teens: "N-teens is a great club to be a part of. I love the feeling of helping the community," Leanne Witulski (12) said.



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First Row: Kallie Vanderbilt (9), Danielle Kowalewicz (9), Michelle Sweeney (11), Brooke Carnahan (11), Megan Rademacher (9) Second Row: Lindsey Batchelor (9), Dajana Pavic (9), Katie Gindl (12), Desiree Meyer (12) Third Row: Molly Rupp (11), Cesar Pulido (10), Carolyn Siedelmann (9), Alaina Reynolds (11), Samantha Howes (11) Fourth Row: Edgar Mota (11), Milana Katic (11), Chris Zaglarias (11)

Sponsors: Mrs. Erin Rawls, math. **Officers:** Michelle Roberts (12), Nina Erler (12), Alaina Reynolds (11), Molly Rupp (11), Erica Yothment (11), Cesar Pulido (10). N-teens is a close knit group of students who helps out the community by doing volunteer work. be n-teens: "This is my first year sponsoring n-teens, and it's really fun. It takes up a lot of time but the students make it easier," Mrs. Rawls said.



astronomy club

First Row: Natasha Massie (9), Arthi Vezhavenran (10) Second Row: Elizabeth Gellert (9) Keith Hickok (9) Paige Dombrowski (9), Carolyn Foltman (9)

Sponsor: Mr. Eric Bushong, math. Astronomy Club helps students become better in star gazing and helps them recognize different planets. be astronomy club: "I got to volunteer to go to the Space Center at Purdue to help little children with astronomy. It helped with star gazing and it was a lot of fun," Arthi Vezhavenran (10) said.



rune

Front Row: Leah Haskins (12), Mariah Dowdy (12), Rhiannon Demyer (12) Back Row: Brittany Massie (11), Jason Schultz (12), Samantha Feldman (10)

Sponsors: Mrs. Maureen Yager, art. Rune is an artistic magazine that shows off the art work of students. The Rune staff looks through all the applicants and decides which art work should be published into the next Rune. be Rune: "Rune was really cool. It was full of pizzazz, and it was definitely worth being in Rune," Samantha Feldman (10) said.

bells I

Front Row: Cynthia Mirkov (9), Jennifer McIntire (9), Megan Rademacher (9), Amanda Palkovich (9), Vanja Bukarica (9), Brittany Perry (9), Melissa DeYoung (9), Second Row: Amanda Trichak (9), Kate Mangiaracina (9), Laura Mills (9), Bobbie Schroeder (9), Brianna Thomas (9), Stefani Kolundzija (9), Third Row: Paden Long (9), Katie Egebrecht (9), Rebecca Hill (9), Nicole Kinzel (9), Elizabeth Gellert (9)

Director: Mr. David Nelson, "I really enjoy playing the music in bells class. I also like how the environment is very relaxed. I improved my music reading abilities a lot this year," said Melissa DeYoung (9). Bells I played at the annual Bells Festival at Clark Middle School this spring.



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Front Row: Kathleen Dienes (10), Amanda Gulbranson (10), Megan Lynch (10), Danielle Gioiosa (10), Rebecca Kimberly (10), Stephanie St. Amour (10), Lauren Morrison (10), Second Row: Eryn Schweiger (10), Jennifer Magnabosco (10), Courtney Mirkov (10), Stephanie Haddad (10), Emily Haddad (11), Kaitlyn McCabe (10), Third Row: Ariana Starks (10), Amanda Selfick (10), Michelle Unhock (10), Ashley Wojcik (10), Abigail Melvin (10)

Director: Mrs. Sandra Hobbs, music. **be bells II:** "I've been playing bells since I was in seventh grade. This has been the best year by far. I loved all of the people in my class. Ms. Hobbs picked out the best music for us to play. We went to South Bend and played in a huge gym and stayed there for two days. It was really fun, we stayed in a hotel," said Kathleen Dienes (10).



da capo

Front Row: Tyler Mills (11), Andrew Srisuwananukorn (12), Michael Flores (12) Second Row: Miquan Scaife (11), Grant McCormack (11), Justin Denton (12), Kevin Badten (12), David Walters (11) Third Row: Joseph Maguire (12), Joseph Synakiewicz (12), Mitchell Anthony (12), Zachary Adamczyk (12)

Director: Mrs. Sandra Hobbs, music. **Da Capo** is an all-guys choir group. **be da capo:** "Da Capo is my favorite choir group that I have been a part of. I like how it is made up of all guys because there is never any drama, very little fighting, and everybody gets along and has fun," Joseph Synakiewicz (12) said.



varsity choir

Front Row: Michelle Ann Keichinger (12), Nicole Kumiega (12), Courtney Semethy (12), Emily Banning (10), Taylor Rimmele (10), Kristen Opyt (12), Alyssa Stone (10) Second Row: Francisco Miranda (9), Shannon Jones (12), Cassandra Sutton (12), Ashley Villanova (10), Sabrina Burgos (11), Ashley Dowling (12), Michael Nugent (11), Andres Afanador (11) Third Row: Angelica Dulin (10), Joelle Opyt (11), Gabrielle Mueller (12), Kelsey Flanagan (11), Christina Greider (10), Jessica Gasiolek (12), Miquan Scaife (11), Justin Denton (12) Fourth Row: Thomas Plummer (12), Brian Bandura (9), Anthony Perez (9), James Wiening (12), Phillip Stefanak (9), Jonathan Kowalski (12), Sean O'Brien (11), Kristan Buchanan (9), Robert Starks (9)

Director: Mrs. Sandra Hobbs, music. **be choir:** "I've been in varsity choir for four years now and even though it is an underclassmen choir, I've had the most fun in that class than in any others," Thomas Plummer (12) said.

bells III

Front Row: Nathanael Stasinski (12), Rebecca DeYoung (11), Nina Erler (12), Jennifer Soltesz (11), Allie Kobar (11), Katie Sexton (11), Amy Troy (12), Rachel Guiden (12), Back Row: Elizabeth Dupre (12), Michelle Roberts (12), Nichole Foley (12), Brittany Komacsar (11), Alicia Moricz (11), Stephanie Shupryt (11), Brandie Davis (12), Matthew Rybicki (12), Anna Mangiaracina (12), Kristin Lamprecht (12)

Director: Mrs. Sandra Hobbs, music. **be bells III:** "Bells was a very intriguing experience, it was a great way to get involved in music and get involved with people. It also was a challenge from the standpoint of learning a new instrument and playing all sorts of music both in styles and difficulty. I will definitely miss it," said Nathanael Stasinski (12).



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Front Row: Cassandra Sutton (12), Brittany Johnson (11), Mary Kathleen Siuba (12), Meghan Morales (12), David Walters (11), Ryan Beach (10), Thomas Plummer (12), Emily Hogg (11), Hayley Schwartzman (12), Nicole Brassea (12), Jenna Stuchlak (12), Andres Afanador (11), Paul Mitchell (12), James Wiening (12) Second Row: Joelle Opyt (11), Kelly Bourget (10), Brooke Podowski (10), Jared Kullmann (11), Kevin Badlin (12), Joseph Synakiewicz (12), Andrew Srisuwananukorn (12), Stephanie Collins (12), Haley Borodine (12), Kayla Kerner (12), Samantha Zahn (12), Shawn Beach (10), William Jarvis (12), Justin Denton (12), Michael Flores (11), Tyler Mills (11), Third Row: Shannon Jones (12), Cheryl Jordan (12), Brittany Wooden (12), Britney Tuskan (11), Emily Schilling (12), Nathanael Stasinski (12), Grant McCormack (11), Jonathan Kowalski (12), Zachary Adamczyk (12), Raina Zona (11), Jillian Egipcio (11), Lauren DeYoung (12), Catherine Young (12), Hannah Kerstin (11), Kali Pittman (11), Joseph Maguire (12), Benjamin Young (11), Miquan Scafe (11), Mitchell Anthony (12)

Director: Mrs. Sandra Hobbs, music. The concert choir made it to state for the first time in thirteen years. They were ranked fifteenth in the state. **be choir:** "I'm going to miss concert choir a lot. It was my favorite class," said Shannon Jones (12).



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Directors: Mr. Christopher Harmon and Mr. David Nelson. The symphonic band went to a music competition called ISSMA this year. They received a gold ranking for their performance. "I play the trumpet in the symphonic band. I like band because it's nice to have a class where I can concentrate on music and I don't have to just sit in a desk," Matthew Crytzer (11) said.

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Front Row: Rachel Engels (10), Kaitlin Westlund (10), Brooke Podowski (10), Nicole Brassea (12), Stephanie Collins (12) Second Row: Kelly Bourget (10), Emily Schilling (12), Sarah Scott (10), Emily Hogg (11), Joelle Opyt (11), Faith Donovan (10), Jennifer Sitko (10)

Director: Mrs. Sandra Hobbs, music. **be trebleairs:** "This was my second year in Trebleairs and this was the best group of girls. If we were a little family, I was the proud mama. The girls are all so talented and great, and I don't think they realize how much I really love them," Emily Hogg (11) said.



junior treble choir

Front Row: Haley Bartolomei (9), Michelle Hermann (9), Alexandra Vuckovic (9), Jillian Spivak (10), Lisa Rodriguez (10), Holly Thackston (9), Rebecca Budimir (9), Hayley Borodine (12), Samone Owens (9) Second Row: Rachel Kobus (9), Taylor Wilkie (9), Jessica Youngs (9), Taylor Tiemstra (9), Rebecca Rodgers (9), Kelsey Epigiacio (9), Emily Radziejewski (9), Noemi Hernandez (9), Ashlee Sullivan (9), Kathryn Peterson (9) Third Row: Emily Kakol (9), Megan Sipiora (9), Julia Cavanaugh (9), Cheriana Brown (9), Allyson Dirck (9), Janice Bales (9), Taylor Shoemake (9), Bobbie Schroeder (9), Emily Eaton (9), Amy Rupp (9) Last Row: Grace Kelly (9), Jessica Youngs (9), Abigail Toren (9), Angela Gerlach (9), Megan Bereda (9), Natalie Murlarski (9), Courtney Myers (9), Mailing Scaife (9), Danielle Walters (9), Kirsten Puente (10), Jessica Moreland (10), Estibaliz Afanador (9)

Director: Mrs. Sandra Hobbs Junior treble choir consists of mainly freshman and sophomore girls. They perform at school concerts. **be in tune:** "Coming into [junior treble choir] as a freshman made me really nervous, but we all had so much fun," Kathryn Peterson (9) said.



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First Row: Kaitlyn McCabe (10), April Echlin (11), Dominique Dec (10), Emma Harowski (10), Elizabeth Kapocius (11), John White (9), Peter Castillo (9), Lorenzo Giovane (9) Second Row: Bryan Lazaroff (11), Margaret Ryan (11), Jacob Egli (11), Cristian Navarro (10), Nicholas McMenamy (12), Jasmine Christy (11), Kristina Hemmerling (11), Araceli Barrientez (10), Lauren Wadas (9), Andrew Srisuwananukorn (12) Last Row: Daniel Sicinski (9), Scott Jarecki (12), Matthew Siorek (12), Alec Cook (10), Dane Malm (11), Joseph Turman (10), Alex Fitzsimmons (12), Benjamin Ballas (11), Alexander Prys (10), Patrick Browne (9), Eric Turman (12)

Director: Mr. David Nelson, music. Winter Drumline is Lake Central's competing drumline. Winter Drumline consists of 29 students. **be winter drumline:** "Winter Drumline was fun because we goofed off all the time. We always made jokes and had a fun time," Eric Turman (12) said.

wind ensemble

Front Row: April Echlin (11), Miranda Thomas (10), Megan Kurtz (12), Veronica Jashenski (11), Korinna Prince (11), Rebecca Miedema (12), Kathleen Lanham (12), Meg Gjeldum (12) Second Row: Conner Lewis (11), Bryan Lazaroff (11), Jack Whittle (11), Jessica Bouma (10), Audrey Robertson (11), Madison Carroll (11), Gretchen Calderone (10), Michael Gurney (10), Leah Thomas (10), Ellen Geisen (10), Kathryn Alleva (12) Third Row: Sarah Mitchell (11), Kaitlyn Smolar (12), Heather Bolan (12), Patrick Lewis (12), Shaun Andres (12), Joseph Orzechowski (10), Jessica Verrill (12), Monica Faustel (10), Jacqueline Borg (10), Daniel Deenik (12) Fourth Row: Brett Kelly (10), Ian Bartlett (10), Justin Jimenez (11), Thomas Finnegan (10), Matthew Smith (11), Thomas Vienna (11), Benjamin Ballas (11), Zenon Mills (11), Luis Ramirez (11) Last Row: Matthew Schneider (10), Steven Roviaro (10), Eric Turman (12), David O'Donnell (10), Daniel Heath (11), Michael Klamo (12), Mark Kalinch (12), Jonathan Schulz (10), Mr. Chris Harmon

Director: Mr. Chris Harmon **be breathy:** "[Wind ensemble] is a lot of work. We practice hard and sometimes I get frustrated, but I enjoy it," Ian Bartlett (10) said.



concert band

Front Row: Elizabeth McClain (11), Carla Villa (9), Ashley Chung (9), Alissa Ludwig (9), Arlene Lee (10), Nancy Bernal (9), Bradley Biegel (11), Jamie Craine (9) Second Row: Ryan Kluck (9), Nicole Krstulovich (10), Krista Tobin (9), Danielle Littrell (9), Holly Sobun (9), Krista Gallatin (10), Kristie Adams (10), Natasha Massie (9) Lauren Wadas (9), Caroline Sieffert (9), Stephanie Wojcik (9), Kyle Gorman (10), Danielle Kowalewicz (9) Third Row: Kristen Fiens (10), Jessica Chavarria (9), Paige Dombrowski (9), Kayla Mills (10), Carolyn Foltman (9), Corinne Wilschke (9), Christine Murzyn (10), Margaret Ryan (11), Allison Anton (10), Peter Castillo (9), Kayla Milcarek (10), George Papanikolaou (9) Fourth Row: Sarah Stidham (9), Kristen Wicklund (11), Grace Mertsching (10), Zachary Rees (10), Jesse Huisenga (9), Kenneth Whittle (9), Timothy O'Conner (9), Brandon Andrysk (9), Alice Wasylyowsky (9), Russell Batty (12), Jonathon Barnes (10), Samantha Brown (9), Breanna Walton (10), Mr. David Nelson Last Row: Derrick Sanders (10), Brian Karvalka (9), Alexander Hunter (9), Tre Cummings (9), Brian Inglesse (9), Brandon Henikson (9), Eric Tarnowski (10), Daniel Deluca (10), Christopher Konopasek (9), Kyle Schulz (9), William Brennen (10), Ryan Sparling (10), Zachary Owens (10), William Politis (9)

Sponsors: Mr. David Nelson, music. Concert Band is Lake Central's performing band. **be band:** "Concert band was a great experience as a freshman. I really enjoyed it," Jamie Craine (9) said.

boys golf

Front Row: Tyler Graves (11), Bernard Prisby (12), Kameron Caldwell (10), John Bojczuk (12), Michael Barenie (9), Thomas Cameron (9), Second Row: Kevin Bridegroom (11), Matthew Barenie (11), Coach John Schneider, John Gruszczak (11), Vincent Barker (11), David Rossi (12),

Crown Point: Loss, LaPorte: Win, Munster: Loss, Chesterton: Loss, Crown Point: Loss, LaPorte: Win, Munster: Loss, Chesterton: Loss, Crown Point: Loss, LaPorte: Win, Munster: Loss, Chesterton: Loss, Crown Point: Loss, LaPorte: Win, Munster: Loss, Chesterton: Loss.



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McCutcheon Invite: Win, L.C. Invite: Win, Kankakee Valley: Win, Rensselaer Invite: Win, Andean/Griffith: Win, DAC Invite: 2nd, LaPorte: Win, Munster: Win, Chesterton: Win, Michigan City: Win, Hall of Fame Invite: 10th, Crown Point: Win, Merrillville: Win, Valparaiso: Win, LaPorte Invite: 2nd, Portage: Win, IHSAA Sectionals: 1st, IHSAA Regional: 4th.



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Freshman- Front Row: Kristin Brumm (9), Danielle Lakich (9), Taylor Smith (9), Jasmine Casrillo (9), Second Row: Elena Navarro (9), Hannah Mason (9), Jillian Raab (9), Kathryn Turnlund (9), Shannen Sebahar (9), JV- Front Row: Shelly Okerstrom (9), Julie Holme (10), Kaitlyn Janich (10), Megan Scruggs (10) Second Row: Haley Damron (10), Adrienne Kristevski (9), Jenna Dimopoulos (10), Jordyn Carta (9), Lisa Goldstein (9)

Freshman/JV-Prelims: 2nd, State: 3rd, Bulls: 1st, Nationals: 1st.



varsity cheerleading

Front Row: Ashley Scott (10), Ashley Kahn (10), Samantha Sommer (10), Caitlin Kowaleski (10), Meghan Janich (9), Jordan Dernulc (10), Second Row: Jessica Hearne (12), Ashley Carstensen (11), Lisa Warta (12), Alicia Moricz (11), Alyssa Kowaleski (12), Hayley Bulcher (12), Ashlee Russell (10),

Prelims: 13th, State: 12th, Bulls: 1st, Nationals: 2nd.

girls cross country

Front Row: Anna Kacius (10), Amy Crague (11), Melanie Bates (11), Samantha Pazak (11), Megan Plenus (11), Julia Druzicki (9), Megan Durochik (9), Shelby Carroll (9), Samantha Stewart (11), Megan Dunn (11), Second Row: Brooke Podowski (9), Kaitlyn Hermann (10), Jill Tharp (9), Katelyn Smierciak (10), Dana Payonk (11), Sarah Zajac (1), Courtney Croft (11), Rachel Zajac (12), Monica Feustel (10), Kathren Krull (11), Elise Boyd (11), Katherine Sicsinski (11), Third Row: Denise Rush, Kailey Jensen (12), Shannen Reynolds (11), Christine Conrad (12), Nichole Kunis (11), Jennifer Kranc (12), Hillary Anthony (12), Danielle Durochik (11), Ashely Smith (9), Madelyn Jerome (12), Ann Downey

Gavit Invite: 1st, Portage: Win, Harrison Invite: 2nd, Michigan City/Chesterton: Win, Merrillville/LaPorte: Win, New Prairie Invite: 1st, Valparaiso/Crown Point: Win, Culver Invite: 5th, Duneland Athletic Conference: 2nd, Sectionals: 1st, Regional: 1st, Semi-state: 1st, State: 2nd.



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Front Row: Casey Raadziejewski (9), Alex Thompson (9), Erik Plesha (10), Jonathan Sommer (11), Nicolas Martinez (11), Jeffery Trembacki (11), Jacob Ponton (11), Alexander Gianopolis (11), Emmanuel Flores (9), Kieth Hickok (9) Second Row: Jereme Rech (9), Jamen Lane (11), Joshua Singel (11), Tony Trevino (11), Marc Geldum (9), Efrain Flores (11), Eric Hickok (11), Justin Shields (10), Michael Buck (9) Third Row: Coach Jeff Rhody, Joshua Keith (9), Kevin Horecky (11), Kyle Pratt (12), Michael Karcz (9), Adam Karcz (11), Thomas Paschen (11), Christopher Jelewski (11), Eric Bisson (11), Kennon Arvay (10), Coach Rudy Skurupa

Gavit Invite: 1st, Portage: Win, Harrison Invite: 11th, Chesterton: Loss, Michigan City: Win, Rensselaer Invite: LaPorte: Loss, Merrillville: Win, New Prairie Invite: 13th, Crown Point: Loss, Munster: Loss, Valparaiso: Loss, Culver Invite: 18th, DAC: 4th, Sectional: 1st, Regional: 3rd, Semi-state: 9th.

junior varsity & varsity football

Front Row: Adam Burke (10), Kevin O'Loughlin (10), Seth Basler (11), Timothy Starks (11), Micheal Pupillo (11), Tyler Bork (10), Andrew Semethy (10), Matthew Starks, Kramer Phalen (11), Anthony Albomonte (10), Kevin Gombos (10) Second Row: Steven Newell (10), Connor Doyle (9), Brian Johnson (10), Derrick Bremer (11), Kate Mangiaracina (9), Melanie Handlon (12), Hailey Melby, Isabella Juretic (12), William Melby, Alaina Rodriguez (11), Monica Warlman (9), Sarah Wartman (10), Charlie Quinn (11), Edward Willis (10), Jeremy Lucido (11), Joseph Hejl (11), Third Row: John Decker (10), Coach Brian Tomson, Coach Christopher Hall, Coach Christopher Engel, Coach Jim Magrames, Coach Nicolas Testa, Coach Bill Melby, Coach Jonathan Schneider, Coach Don Bowen, Coach Adam Tenborge, Coach Bryan Jones, Coach Joshua Redden, Ryan Hennessey (11) Fourth Row: Cody Gillespie (11), Alex Alvarez (10), James Fife (10), Andrew Morales (10), Ricky Brown (11), Jacob Mullins (12), Sanghvi Aanchal (12), Matthew Diaz (12), Christopher Wartman (12), Joseph Szczerbowski (10), Braden Macak (10), Stephen Letz (10), Michael Ortega (10), Peter Janinga (11), Fifth Row: Joseph Jastrebocki (11), Jonathan Ganiyu (11), Kevin Jackson (11), Zachary Mullaney (11), Dillon Jamroz (12), John Bowen (12), Loai Issa (11), Joseph Leahy (12), Patrick Robinson Jr. (12), Jeremy Clario (10), Derek Bork (12), Michael Szczacina (12), Nicolas Johnson (10) Sixth Row: Adam Brown (10), Eric LaMorte (12), Seth Frey (11), Jonathan Hurley (12), Keith Thompson (11), Erik Bisson (11), Ryan Quinn (11), Nicolas Terry (12), Kenny Drenth (12), Daniel Trzupek (10), Michael Karras (10), Robert Oljace (10), Jonathan Tallent (12), Joseph Mayer (10) Seventh Row: Michael Crider (12), Alphonso Willis (12), Christopher Williams (11), Drew Dumont (12), David Bougher (11), Benjamin Parchem (12), Steven Krause (10), Andrew Arellano (11), Keith Holem (11), Tanner Redlarczyk (10), Patrick Biancardi (10), Justin Nesbitt (11), Michael Sebastian (10) Eighth Row: Brian Crider (11), Mark Kalinich (12), Keenan Wick (12), Matthew Spyryka (11), Tyler Foster (12), Jeremy Harrison (12), Thomas Zega (11), Corey McNulty (12), Michael Walker (11), Ryan Frick (10), Eric Estill (12), Justin Urbani (10), Jeffery Tharp (11), Kyle Laya (12)

JV - Munster: Win, East Chicago: Win, Portage: Win, Crown Point: Loss, LaPorte: Loss, Michigan City: Win, Chesterton: Win, Merrillville: Win, Valparaiso: Loss, Varsity- Munster: Win, East Chicago: Win, Portage: Loss, Crown Point: Win, LaPorte: Loss, Michigan City: Loss, Chesterton: Loss, Merrillville: Loss, Valparaiso: Loss, Sectionals: Loss.



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Front Row: James Maynard (9), Lucas DeVries (9), Dylan Morang (9), Eric Wirtes (9), Cody Hemphill (9), Bobby Lauerman (9), Richard Stanger (9), Alec Jackman (9), Fredrick McGee (9), Ronnie Zega (9), Larry Payne (9), Second Row: Cody West (9), Marco Roadjemovic (9), Jacob Miller (9), Casey Drenth (9), Chase Fieldhouse (9), Tyler Szczacina (9), Steven Jarrett (9), Andrew Dvorscak, Christopher Trevino (9), Christopher Niksch (9), Victor Mamolejo (9), Third Row: David Verderyn (9), Aaron Oskam (9), Paul Strubing (9), Dominic Cicchirillo (9), Coach Scott Hilyard, Coach Marc, Coach Urban, Coach Andrew Locke, Dominic Pascale (9), Larry Payne (9), Ryan Gindl (9), Taylor Lehnert (9) Fourth Row: Anthony Ciarrochi (9), Zachary Bouchee (9), Jacob Pluskis (9), Ryan Rodriguez (9), Cody Collier (9), Christopher Barrientez (9), Zachery Mantel (9), Ikee Dozier (9), Marko Tomich (9), Drew Hollingsworth (9), Fredrick McGee (9), Micheal Crowley (9) Fifth Row: Peter Douglas (9), Robert Ross (9), Ryan Rech (9), Yiannis Sakelris (9), Mark Haught (9), Kyle Willson (9), Karan Sharma (9), Austen Wagoner (9), Allan Maupin (9), Benjamin Stutler (9), Connor Doyle (9), Jonathan Sanchez (9), Glenn Robinson

Munster: Win, Andean: Loss, Portage: Win, Crown Point: Loss, LaPorte: Loss, Michigan City: Loss, Chesterton: Win, Chesterton: Win, Merrillville: Win, Valparaiso: Loss.

junior varsity girls soccer

Front Row: Marcella Ricciardi (10), Kristen Alexa (9), Crystal Kirchhoff (9), Emily Hendrickson (9), Samantha Miksch (9) Second Row: Jessica Lyza (10), Amy Gasiorowski (10), Courtney Barnes (9), Heather Olson (9), Jacquelyn Brazzale (9), Cecilia Urquiza (9), Taylor Shoemake (9) Third Row: Coach Julie Moore, Erica Sardella (10), Jane Gates (9), Megan Bereda (9), Coach Richard Moore, Alana Etinger (10), Kelsey Egipciano (9), Christina Miljevic (9), Coach Lori Moore

Highland: Win, Munster: Loss, Michigan City: Win, North Central: Loss, Center Grove: Loss, Portage: Win, South Bend Clay: Win, Andean: Win, Chesterton: Win, Valparaiso: Win, Merrillville: Win



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Front Row: Sidney Algozine (9), April VanMilligan (9), Bridget Boyle (9), Gina Cybulski (9), Breanna Falcone (9) Second Row: Coach Stephanie Shevik, Coach Jennifer Barta, Rachel Giese (9), Allison Czazasty (9), Anna Weber (9), Amy Hecimovich (9), Megan Jubera (9), Coach Amy Nimetz, Coach Amber Alm

LaPorte: Win, Crown Point: Win, Chesterton: Win, Valpo: Win, Michigan City: Win, Portage: Win, Highland: Loss, Munster: Loss, Chesterton: Loss, Laporte: Loss

varsity girls soccer

Front Row: Ashley Doreski (11), Amanda Garton (12), Megan Uzubell (12), Kaley Marcinak (11), Genna Noel (12), Second Row: Nikolina Ajder (11), Nicole Bardocz (12), Kayla Hughes (12), Kara Polus (9), Katelyn Diehl (11), Rachel Madsen (11), Brooke Polus (11) Third Row: Coach Julie Moore, Lauren Rigg (12), Laura Herman (11), Jessica Gates (12), Coach Richard Moore, Hillary Campbell (9), Emily Peppin (11), Samantha Cook (12), Coach Lori Moore

Highland: Win, Munster: Win, Cathedral: Tie, South Bend St. Joe's: Tie, Michigan City: Win, North Central: Loss, Center Grove: Tie, Portage: Win, South Bend Clay: Win, Andean: Win, Chesterton: Win, Laporte: Win, Valparaiso: Win, Merrillville: Win, Crown Point: Win



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Marquette: Loss 3-2, Highland: Win 3-0, Munster: Loss 3-1, Michigan City: Win 3-1, Merrillville: Win 3-1, Crown Point: Win 3-1, Portage: Win 3-1, Chesterton: Win 3-2, Laporte: Loss 3-0, Valparaiso: Loss 3-1, Lowell: Win 3-0, Michigan City: Win 3-1, Merrillville: Win 3-1, Crown Point: Win 3-1, Portage: Win 3-1, Chesterton: Loss 3-0, Laporte: Loss 3-0, Valparaiso: Loss 3-1

junior varsity boys soccer

Front Row: Dieter Schultz (9), Luis Rodriguez (9), Brandon Cloutier (10), Mitchell Ackerman (9), Bryan Perez (9), Second Row: Robert Pucik (10), Nikolaus Schultz (9), Ethan Donovan (9), Benjamin Peppin (9), Ryan Dobos (10), Brian Zimmer (9), Frank Gasparetti Jr. (9), Randy Maksimik (9), Thomas Cameron (9) Third Row: David Picioski (10), Kristopher Martin (9), Joshua Berwanger (10), Coach Eric Graves, Manuel Delgado Jr. (10), Kyle Uzubell (9), Sean Boyle (10)

Coaches: Eric Graves and Jerome Rainwater. **be JV soccer:** "Soccer is my favorite sport because of the competitiveness and dedication it takes to play it. I enjoy leading my team to victory and the glory of victory is what appeals to me. My most memorable moment this year was when I scored a penalty against Valparaiso. Valparaiso is one of our biggest rivals, so it meant a lot to score against them," David Picioski (10) said.



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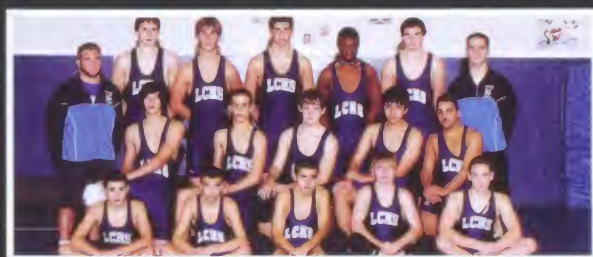
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Front Row: Robert Rigg (10), Andrew Ritchie (10), Anthony Hallerman (12), Djordje Janjus (10), Manuel Rios (9) Second Row: Nathan Lozanoski (12), Geoffrey Bowman (12), Jared Schreiber (11), Stephen Ragan II (12), Cody Barnes (10), Nicholas Czapl (12), Vincent Rendina (12), Adam Szewciw (12), Evan Rydlewski (12) Third Row: Coach Andrew Kiernan, Douglas Petersen (10), Adam Misirly (12), Nicholas Miljevic (12), Coach Jerome Rainwater, Fabian Urquiza (11), Jacob Lecea (12), Cory Lee (12), Coach Eric Graves

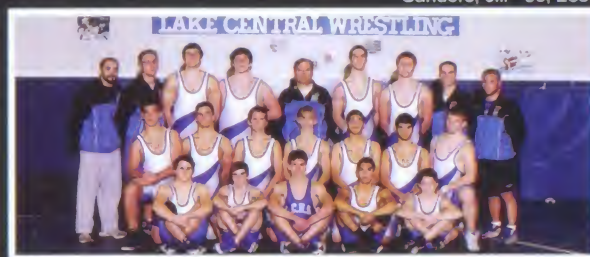
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junior varsity wrestling

Front Row: Brandon Lopez (9), Anthony Cicchirillo (11), Daniel Bates (9), Ozzie Muhommad (11) Second Row: Coach Luke Trivelino, Jacob Pluskis (9), Dominic Cicchirillo (10), Kevin O' Loughlin (10), Jorge Rinconeno (10), Imad Qundeel (10) Third Row: Michael Karas (10), David O'Donnell (10), Joseph Turman (10), Timothy Starks (11),

Coaches: Rod Wartman, Dave Gnaden, Luke Trivelino **be JV wrestling:** "I like how we died everyday in practice from conditioning. My most memorable moment was when I got my first win. I pinned a kid who weighed like 15 pounds more than me in 29 seconds, and getting fifth in a tournament while I had bronchitis" Michael Karas (10) said



varsity wrestling

Front Row: Michael Pupillo (11), Bryan Smith (11), Dalton Tussey (11), Marc Escobedo (11), Kyle Ayersman (9) Second Row: Patrick Biancardi (10), Robert Keough (12), Matthew Tellas (10), Bradley Wartman (10), Jawad Abdelhamid (11), Seth Basler (11) Third Row: Coach Michael Escobedo, Coach Adam Landkrohn, Viade Nacovski (11), Keith Holem (11), Coach Rod Wartman, Joseph Kalemba (12), Jonathan Hurley (12), Coach Dave Gnaden, Coach Luke Trivelino

Niles North: Win, Goshen: Loss, Hamilton SE: Win, Fairfield: Win, Gavit: Win, Greensburg: Win, Rochester: Win, West Noble: Win, TC Howe: Win, Harrison: Loss, Laporte: Win, Valparaiso: Win, Chesterton: Loss, Prairie Heights: Win, Cummbia City: Win, South Bend Adams: Win, Lew Wallace: Win, Michigan City: Win, Portage: Loss, Merrillville: Loss, Crown Point: Loss

varsity volleyball

Front Row: Casey Phillips (10), Baleigh Nosal (10), Sarah Anderson (9), Brooke Burczyk (12)
 Second Row: Madisen Redar (11), Rebecca Trzupek (12), Kaitlyn Wagenaar (10), Emily LeVin (12), Grace Myers (12) Back Row: Coach Stephanie Shevik, Kathryn Boyle (11), Alisha Auer (11), Coach Amber Alm, Samantha Maloney (12), Britney Tuskan (11), Coach Jennifer Barta
 Marquette: Loss, Delphi: Win, Richmond: Loss, Kokomo: Win, FW Carroll: Loss, Highland: Win, Munster: Loss, Michigan City: Win, Plymouth: Loss, Kankakee Valley: Win, Valparaiso: Win, Penn: Loss, Merrillville: Win, Crown Point: Win, Portage: Win, Chesterton: Win, Zionsville: Win, Lafayette: Win, Mooresville: Win, LaPorte: Loss, Valparaiso: Loss, Lowell: Win, Michigan City: Win, Merrillville: Win, Crown Point: Win, Portage: Win, Chesterton: Loss, LaPorte: Loss, Valparaiso: Loss, Snider: Win, Homestead: Win, Crown Point: Win, Penn: Loss, Morton: Win, Munster: Loss



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 Valparaiso: Win, Merrillville: Win, Penn: Win, LaPorte: Win, Highland: Win, Munster: Loss, Michigan City: Win, Chesterton: Loss, Crown Point: Loss, Portage: Win



junior varsity boys basketball

Front Row: Justin Nesbitt (11), Austen Wagoner (9), Glenn Robinson (9), Brandon Cloutier (10), Mena Dous (10), Kramer Phalen (10), Kyle Dickelman (10) Back Row: Coach Joshua Huwig, Kyle White (11), Leith Hobbs (11), Maxwell Faulkner (10), Coach John Moskovich

Gary: Win, Valparaiso: Loss, Crown Point: Loss, Chesterton: Loss, Merrillville: Loss, Munster: Loss, Portage: Win, Michigan City: Win, LaPorte: Win, Highland: Win, Crown Point: Win, Merrillville: Loss, Gavitt: Win, Chesterton: Loss, Portage: Win, East Chicago: Win, Valparaiso: Loss, Michigan City: Win, LaPorte: Win



varsity boys basketball

Front Row: Kyle Kaluza (12), Loai Issa (11), Keith Thompson (11) Second Row: Michael Robinson (11), Byrne Dempsey (12), Justin Nesbitt (11), Zachary Felton (12) Benjamin Sporman (11), Christopher Pyle (11) Back Row: Coach Dave Milausnic, David Samardzija (12), Kyle Scheffel (12), Eric Summers (12), Leith Hobbs (11), Kurt Kudrecki (11), Coach Jeff Sandor

Gary: Loss, Valparaiso: Loss, Crown Point: Win, Chesterton: Loss, Merrillville: Win, Munster: Loss, Portage: Win, South Bend Clay: Win, Michigan City: Win, LaPorte: Win, Highland: Win, Crown Point: Win, Lowell: Win, Merrillville: Win, Chesterton: Win, Portage: Win, East Chicago: Win, Valparaiso: Loss, Michigan City: Win, LaPorte: Win, East Chicago Central: Loss

iv & varsity girls swimming

Front Row: Scout Demir (10), Abby Studzinski (10), Amanda Palkovich (9), Jennifer Magnabosco (10), Abigail Hallow (9), Gianna Richardson (10), Sara Kielbasinski (10), Katherine Sicinski (11), Second Row: Ellie Payonk (9), Andrea Schmidt (11), Shelby Carroll (9), Katie Westlund (10), Samantha Pazak (11), Jessica Bouma (10), Holly Sobun (9), Lauren Resendiz (11), Alaina Rodriguez (11), Third Row: Jill Tharp (9), Samantha Howes (11), Sally Stepanian (10), Margaret Logan (10), Brittany Smith (9), Lesley Payonk (12), Sarah Stidham (9), Alexis Palkovich (11), Megan Stepanian (10), Katie Gindl (12), Aliyson Bogenrief (9), Back Row: Devin Moore (11), Megan Plenus (11), Caitlyn Walters (9), Amy Troy (12), Sarah Richards (11), Ashley Klein (10), Brittany Bencur (11), Carlie Wilson (10), Camille Bobelenyi (10)

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Valparaiso: Win, Crown Point: Win, Chesterton: Win, Merrillville: Win, Portage: Win, Michigan City: Win, LaPorte: Win, Munster: Loss, Crown Point: Win, Michigan City: Win, Merrillville: Win, East Chicago: Win, Chesterton: Win, Bishop Noll: Win, LaPorte: Win, Portage: Win, Munster: Win, Highland: Win, Lowell: Win, Valparaiso: Loss



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Lowell: Win, Michigan City: Win, Andean: Win, Portage: Win, LaPorte: Win, Munster: Win, Valparaiso: Win, Crown Point: Win, Chesterton: Win, Merrillville: Win, Portage: Win, Michigan City: W, Hobart: W, LaPorte: Win, Valparaiso: Win, Crown Point: Win, Chesterton: Win, Merrillville: Win



junior varsity girls basketball

Front Row: Hailee Babusiak (10), Nicolette Mehas (10), Alyssa Ippolito (10), Panagioti Manosopoulos (10), Isis Thomas (10), Stephanie Haddad (10) Back Row: Coach Leslie Iwema, Katie Kozy (10), Nicole Adams (9), Coach Lori Moore, Alana Etinger (10), Biljana Dosen (10), Coach Dianna Melby

Griffith: W, Michigan City: Win, Highland: Win, LaPorte: Win, Munster: Win, Valparaiso: Win, Crown Point: Win, Merrillville: Loss, Portage: Win, Michigan City: Win, LaPorte: Win, Crown Point: Win, Lowell: Win, Merrillville: Win, Valparaiso: Win, Chesterton: Win, Portage: Win

varsity girls basketball

Front Row: Kaley Marcinak (11), Lindsay Needham (10), Mallory Horvat (12), Brooke Polus (11), Ashley Doreski (11) Back Row: Coach Leslie Iwema, Grace Myers (12), Alyssa Boyle (11), Andrea Kras (11), Britney Tuskan (11), Carolyn Sandrick (10), Coach Dianna Melby

Michigan City: Loss 58-49, LaPorte: Win 66-35, Valparaiso: Loss 44-41, Crown Point: Loss 54-48, Chesterton: Loss 65-59, Merrillville: Win 76-72, Portage: Win 54-52, Michigan City: Loss 52-42, LaPorte: Win 52-33, Crown Point: Win 39-34, Lowell: Win 54-31, Merrillville: Win 76-46, Valparaiso: Loss 41-32, Chesterton: Win 54-52, Portage: Loss 57-53



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Michigan City: Win, LaPorte: Win, Valparaiso: Win, Crown Point: Win, Chesterton: Win, Merrillville: Win, Portage: Win, Michigan City: Win, LaPorte: Win, Crown Point: Win, Lowell: Win, Merrillville: Win Valparaiso: , Chesterton: Win, Portage: Win



boys bowling

Coach Greg Schmead, Zachary Maciejewski (11), Robert Morris (11), Bradley Fisher (10), Nathan Huizenga (10), Thomas Schmied (12), Kevin Wladyka (12), Kevin Rush (11), Brett Wagner (12), Kyle Lisek (11), Coach Troy Rush

Munster: Win, Merrillville: Win, Crown Point: Win, Portage: Win, Merrillville: Loss

centralettes

Front Row: Amanda Crothers, Bri Clark, Brianne Gargas (12), Kaitlyn Toczek (12), Kaitlyn Dougherty (12), Amanda Welch (12), Kevin Mathis. Second Row: Megan Anderson (10), Rosalina Arellano (9), Courtney Severin (11), Katrina Penna (10), Racquel Mazer (11), Mary Genovese (11), Tiffany Marquiss (10), Kellie Butler (11), Crista Pyrz (10), Alyssa Kovich (10), Chelsey Banasiak (10) Third Row: Crysta Crothers (10), Taylor Green (9), Frances Pollaro (9), Kaylin Guglielmo (10), Emilie Middleton (10), Chaquita Williams (12), Jaimie Davis (10), Gianna Davis (10), Anastasia Amanatidis (10), Miranda Peterson (10). Fourth Row: Jade Blessing (9), Allie Tribble (9), Suzanne Foreman (11), Nicole Griffin (9), Nina Barnes (9), Morgan Cain (9).

Sponsor: Kevin Mathis. The Centralettes are 15th time state champions. This current year they won state in both Varsity Hip-Hop and Jazz. **be centralettes:** "Centralettes was the most amazing time spent out of my four years of high school. It takes time, dedication, and pride. It was the most rewarding experience and well worth all the time. I will miss it tremendously. They are not just my team, but my second family," Amanda Welch (12) said.



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Michigan City: Win, LaPorte: Win, Valparaiso: Win, Crown Point: Win, Chesterton: Win, Merrillville: Win, Portage: Win, Michigan City: Win, LaPorte: Win, Crown Point: Win, Lowell: Win, Merrillville: Win Valparaiso: , Chesterton: Win, Portage: Win

girls track & field

First Row: Caitlin Amescua (11), Jillian Brandt (10), Julie Holme (10), Katherine Sicinski (11), Erica Hauter (11), Crystal Kirchhoff (9), Amanda Bull (9), Brooke Kuersten (9), Paige Kuersten (9), Anna Kacius (10), Megan Dunn (11), Charity Newsome (11) Second Row: Andrea Alvarez (9), Stephanie Mikolajczyk (11), Alyssa Markiewicz (11), Chelsea Grady (11), Samara Candreva (11), Allyson Niksch (9), Anna Beggs (10), Ericka Markiewicz (12), Elizabeth Avalos (10), Melanie Bates (11), Amy Crague (11) Third Row: Kristina Schafer (11), Isis Thomas (10), Samantha Stewart (11), Amanda Gnerlich (12), Megan Plenus (11), Bridget Swope (11), Madelyn Jerome (12), Catherine Shaw (10), Caitlin Kowaleski (10), Emily Small (10), Alexea Candreva (10) Fourth Row: Lidija Zubic (10), Shelby Carroll (9), Kaitlyn Herrmann (10), Katherine Krull (11), Dana Payonk (11), Rylee Sullivan (10), Megan Durochik (9), Mary Sluba (12), Kristina Hemmerling (11), Dayna Less (9), Fifth Row: Rachel Giese (9), Katelyn Smierciak (10), Kailey Jensen (12), Kelsey Giordano (11), Elizabeth Racich (9), Kathryn Turmlund (9), Jane Gates (9), Sara Williams (11), Rachel Zajac (12), Jill Tharp (9), Monica Feustel (10) Sixth Row: Coach Ron Fredrick, Alyssa Ippolito (10), Sarah Zajac (10), LeVisa Evans (9), Tanasia Beavers (9), Shannen Reynolds (11), Elizabeth Tegtmann (9), Kaley Juran (12), Megan Bereda (9), Coach Amy Nimitz Seventh Row: Alana Eathing (10), Kristen Calhoun (12), Jenny Kranc (12), Alyssa Boyle (11), Britney Tuskan (11), Katherine Gergets (11), Danielle Durochik (11)

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Chesterton: Loss 46-86, Crown Point: Loss 49-83, LaPorte: Win 68-64, Michigan City: Loss 51-81, Merrillville: Loss 30-102, Portage: Loss

varsity softball

Top Row: Coach Mr. Glen Eisfelder, Coach Miss. Stephanie Prescia, Nichole Szerbowski (11), Jessica Dobson (12), Ashley Dobson (9), Coach Erin Zeller, Coach Eric Bushong. Second Row: Alyssa Gallegos (10), Melissa Magdos (12), Katherine Skura (11), Jessica Morgan (12), Brooke Polus (11), Amanda Foy (11), Jessica Haskins (10). Bottom Row: Meredith Cioffi (12), Ashley Cuthbert (12), Samantha Terry (10), Sarah Ranieri (11), Rebecca Nawrocki (12), Magdalene Harris (11).

Crown Point: Loss, LaPorte: Win, Munster: Loss, Chesterton: Loss, Crown Point: Loss, LaPorte: Win, Munster: Loss, Chesterton: Loss, Crown Point: Loss, LaPorte: Win, Munster: Loss, Chesterton: Loss, Crown Point: Loss, LaPorte: Win, Munster: Loss, Chesterton: Loss, Crown Point: Loss, LaPorte: Win, Munster: Loss, Chesterton: Loss.



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Crown Point: Win, LaPorte: Win, Munster: Win, Chesterton: Win, Portage: Win, Michigan City: Win, Valparaiso: Win.



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Top Row: Coach Miss Vivian Velasco, Alaina Reynolds (11), Abigail Melvin (10), Kristina Vujanic (9), Colleen McElmurry (10), Anna Weber (9), Caitlin Kearns (9), Danielle Kulina (9), Mr. Bryan Szalonek (Social Studies). Second Row: Matthew Radencic (11), Jill Sanders (11), Brittany Warzyniak (9), Valerie Hill (11), Angela Gerlach (9), Taylor Shoemake (9), Corinne Wilschke (9), Adam Meeker (10). Third Row: Samantha Tarrant (11), Lauren Ashenbrenner (10), Emma Harowski (10), Erin Myers (11), Breanna Falcone (9), and Ashley DeSantiago (10).

Merrillville: Win 10-1, Valparaiso: Win 6-4, Chesterton: Win 5-4, Crown Point: Win 8-5, Michigan City: Win 6-4, Portage: Win 6-0, La Porte: Win 8-2



varsity girls tennis

Top Row: Matthew Radencic (11), Miss Vivian Velasco (Foods), Grace Myers (12), Tara McElmurry (12), Emily Peppin (11), Mr. Bryan Szalonek (Social Studies), Adam Meeker (10). Second Row: Britni Weiner (12), Emily Shaw (12), Laurie Rutkowski (12), Erica Yohtment (11).

Merrillville: Win 3-2, Portage: Win 4-1, Valparaiso: Loss 4-1, Chesterton: Loss 4-1, Crown Point: Loss 4-1, Crown Point: Loss 4-1, Michigan City: Loss 3-2, La Porte: Loss 3-2

junior varsity baseball

Front Row: Anthony Albomonte (10), Bradley Wartman (10), Henry Siedentopf (10), Austen Wagoner (9), Matthew Telias (10), Samuel Pattison (10) Second Row: Mark Barnes (10), Stephen Letz (10), Nicholes Johnson (10), David Revoir (10), Ryan Hunter (11), Edward Moldenhaur (10), Michael Sammon (10) Top Row: Kyle Dickleman (10), Cody Dykema (10), Coach Joseph Stanisz, Nathan Huizenga (10), Brandon Cloutier (10)

Crown Point: Loss, LaPorte: Win, Munster: Loss, Chesterton: Loss, Crown Point: Loss, LaPorte: Win, Munster: Loss, Chesterton: Loss, Crown Point: Loss, LaPorte: Win, Munster: Loss, Chesterton: Loss, Crown Point: Loss, LaPorte: Win, Munster: Loss, Chesterton: Loss,



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LaPorte: 8-1 Win, Merrillville: 8-0 Win, Portage: 5-2 Win, Chesterton: 6-3 Loss, Crown Point: 10-0 Win, Valparaiso: 5-5 Tie

varsity baseball

Front Row: Frank Pluskota (11), Steven Traficante (12), Kyle Kaluza (12), James Wanda (11), Frank Ruvoli (12), Anthony Olund (12), Roger Sammon (12), John Pedersen (11) Second Row: Ryan Hunter (11), Brandon Cloutier (10), Ryan Boss (12), Neil Koricanac (12), Matthew Skura (12), Brian Crider (11), Cody Dykema (10) Top Row: Coach Joseph Stanisz, Kyle Scheffel (12), Kurt Kudrecki (11), Coach Todd Iwema, Eric Summers (12), Max Majchrzak (11), Coach Jeff Sherman

Crown Point: Loss, LaPorte: Win, Munster: Win, Chesterton: Win, Portage: Win, Michigan City: Win



varsity boys tennis

Front Row: Thomas Lozanoski (9), Daniel Peterson (11), Nolan Mancera (11), Gary Snyder (11) Second Row: Christopher Pyle (10), Robert Repasi (12), Adam Wroughton (11), Marc Radovich (11), Adam Meeker (10), Matthew Radencic (11) Third Row: Britni Weiner (12), Bradley Spicer (11), Mr. Ralph Holden, William Simes (12), Mr. Bryan Szalonek (Social Studies)

LaPorte: Win 5-0, Merrillville: Win 3-2, Portage: 4-1 Win, Chesterton: 4-1 Win, Crown Point: 5-0 Win, Valparaiso: 4-1 Win, Michigan City: 5-0 Win



national honor society

Front Row: Brandie Davis (12), Sarah Sweeney (12), Lauren DeYoung (12), Lauren Adamczewski (12), Kevin Wojcik (12), Kimberlee Koehler (12) Second Row: Jenny Kranc (12), Brett Guiden (12), Matthew Siorek (12), Timothy Sokolowski (12), Emily LeVin (12), Alexander Pavlakis (12), Lucas Panfil (12) Third Row: Jonathan Borgetti (12), William Simes (12), Amrao Chhokar (12), Christopher Einterz (12), Samantha Maloney (12), Brianna Lawrence (12), Thomas Fitzpatrick (12) Back Row: Michael Klamo (12), Aanchal Sanghvi (12), Matthew Rybicki (12), Alex Lang (12), Michael Peddycord (12), Steven Tomich (12), Austin Venhuizen (12)



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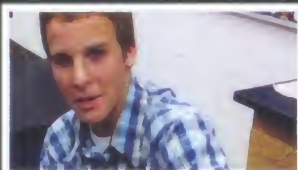
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Photos contributed by friends of Tyler Graves.



"Tyler was my best friend for three straight years. He always knew how to have a good time and make me laugh. He always made things look easy even in the hardest times. He was the best friend a kid could ever ask for,"

marc escobedo (11) said

"Tyler was the one kid with jokes for days; even though half the time they weren't even funny. He was always the first one out of all of us to laugh. His goofy smile put a smile on my face, no matter what. He has truly put an impact on my life for now and forever. Get-togethers in my basement will never be the same. There is a piece of all of our lives missing. When I met him in third grade and think of him now, they were exactly the same...always a smile and a joke. I will always love him and never forget what a strong friendship we had. Rest in Peace, TyTy,"

kellie butler (11) said

"I've known Tyler since I was little. He was one of the funniest kids I've ever known. He always found an opportunity to make a joke. He was such a great friend and he made such an impact on everyone's lives. I'm always gonna remember his smile every day and how happy he was. He always found a reason to turn a bad day into the best day I've ever had. Nothing will be the same. He will never be forgotten. Rest in Peace, TyTy Binks. Love you, Best friends forever,"

karlynn caldwel (11) said

"Tyler Graves, My TyTy, was the kind of person that could put a smile on anyone's face. Ty always knew how to cheer me up and make me laugh when times were bad. Tyler Graves was my best friend and I would do anything to see his smile one last time. All I have left are the memories and I will never forget all those crazy and amazing times. I'll never forget all the times we sat in Kellie's basement and just talked. I still can't get his voice out of my head and all the times he told me he loved me and when he would tell me I was his best friend. I took for granted that all. I am so grateful I had the chance to be so close to Tyler Graves. One thing I'm going to miss the most are his stupid jokes he would always crack and everyone would just look at him like he was an idiot and be like, 'Wow, Ty. You really did not just say that'. I'm going to miss his great, big, giant hugs and most of all, I am going to miss that wonderful smile he always put on. TyTy was my best friend and never ever will he be forgotten,"

mary genovese (11) said

"I don't even know where to begin. Tyler was more than a best friend. He was the one person that no matter what could put a smile on my face, even if he was the only one who thought his jokes were funny. When I look back and think about who he was even in sixth grade, he hasn't changed at all. My life will never be the same without him here. I feel like a piece of me is gone forever. I know he's in a better place now, at least I hope. I hope he realizes how many people truly love him. He will never be forgotten and he will always be remembered as the goofy, broke joke telling, lovable, caring, outgoing ladies man. I love you forever and always. Ty. Rest in peace,"

stephanie slernak (11) said

"Tyler was not only my best friend, he was an amazing person. We've shared so many great times together. I wish I could share with everyone the countless stories of fun and mischief Tyler and I created, but there's just too many. Tyler was such a fun and crazy individual. If you were having the worst day of your life, Tyler could find a way to turn it into a brighter day. I'll always remember his tone of voice when I would see him in school and he would give me and 'What up breh?' It didn't matter if I just flunked my final, hearing him say this would bring a smile to my face. When it comes to sports, you name it, Tyler has played it or I should say attempted to. His latest sport he was getting into was lacrosse. Due to Tyler always seeming to be short on cash, he decided he would make a lacrosse stick. It wasn't the finest stick but he made it work. After nearly breaking Elio's [Zomparelli (12)] while playing one afternoon, they decided to relax on the lacrosse. And who could forget Tyler's role as a Dyer Duck? Arguably one of the best indoor soccer teams this region (possibly country) has ever seen. I managed this team for a few games so I had the privilege of seeing Tyler's crazy antics on the field. I remember his first goal. He was so excited he ran and jumped off the wall in attempts to do a back flip. About half way through this flip, he met the ground. Luckily Tyler's back broke the fall. Outside of sports and Tyler's wide variety of friends, he had an amazing family that he loved deeply. Tyler, I miss you every single day. You have not only influenced my life tremendously, but so many other people too. One day again I know I will hear your voice with that same tone saying, 'What's up breh?' R.I.P Tyler Landshark Graves."

christopher crotty (11) said

"Tyler 'The Landshark' Graves was an amazing person who made my day, every day. Our friendship was different than any other friendship I've had, or will have. We have had so much fun together and got in trouble together over the dumbest things. Between every class period Tyler would be at my locker waiting for me. Whenever I walked up to my locker, he yelled, 'penis attack' and would do what you think, he would grab my penis. Tyler and I never had a serious moment together; I think that's what made our friendship amazing. Tyler played every sport named to man, but wasn't the greatest at them all, even though he would beg to differ. We played on the same Dyer Ducks team. The haircuts Tyler got before the games were legendary, and were what made him good. Tyler always had the funniest looking hats that were so dumb but they always grew on me and I fell in love with them. Tyler's collection of 'Tins' will never be forgotten. Tyler was friends with everyone, sitting at my locker every day he would say, 'hi' to so many people I have never seen before but of course Tyler knew them. Tyler made me laugh every day from the 'penis attacks' to all the jokingly fights we would have. No one I know could do anything the way Tyler could; he was one of a kind. He made my day every day. I have had so many great times together, that I will never forget. No one will ever forget Tyler for the fun loving kid he was. Tyler, I will miss you every day, and I will never forget the great times we had. I love you Tyler, keep your fins up. RIP 'Brah,'"

kyli kisch (11) said

"Ty, The words 'I love you' are an understatement for how I really feel. We have been best friends for 10 years. Yeah, we had our ups and downs, but we got through it every time. I remember us and those long talks we had about which girl you were going to go after now. The travel ball and all - star teams that we completely dominated. Biddy Ball in 3rd grade and again in 11th, even though you only scored five points all year you were still a big contributor to the team. We wouldn't have had anyone to bust out those jokes while my dad was giving his pre-game speeches. The times where we would stay up to sunrise playing X-Box, sleep until 5 p.m. and then do it all over again. The road trip to the cottage with you driving 105 m.p.h. down I-65. All those busted jokes that only got laughs because we would be laughing at you. Brah, so many good times with us. Life won't be the same without you, Ty. I can't stop thinking about you, bro. I love you too much to let you go already. We had the best years of our lives ahead of us. Getting those tats, graduating from LC, visiting ME in college because we all know you weren't even getting accepted in Purdue Cal. Its been only one day without you and it seems like an eternity. I'm not to sure how I'm going to get through this brah, but I promise I'll do my best to. I love you so much bro. I'll look out for Jake for you. Love you man. By the way, it's not goodbye, it's see you later. Love you so much Brah,"

james rainbolt (11) said



Best Dressed
Karee Hackel and Christopher Einterz



Class Clown
Andrew Gard and Rebecca Koslow (not pictured)



One in a Million
Timothy Sokolowski and Nicole Bardoczi



Most Likely to Return as a Teacher
Timothy Sokolowski and Melissa Magdos



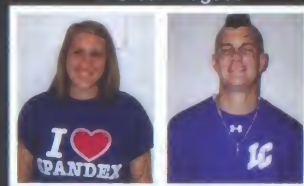
Best Looking
Andrea Olson and Lukas Butkovic



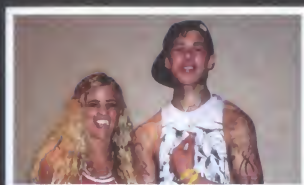
Best Laugh
Jessica Martin and Nicholas Cavins



Most Likely to Brighten Your Day
Frank Ruvoli and Tracy Hudgins



Most Athletic
Eric Summers and Grace Myers



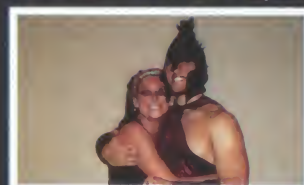
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Kayla Hughes and Adam Misirly



High School Sweethearts
Tara Barnes and Anthony Halupniczak



Teacher's Pet
Frank Ruvoli and Stephanie Collins



Ultimate LC Superfan
Mallory Horvat and Haralambos Manousopoulos



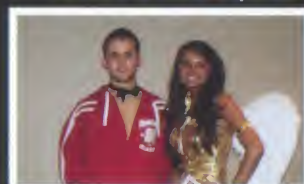
Most Likely to be Famous
Kevin Badten and Lindsay Jurek



Biggest Airhead
Alyssa Rolondi and Joshua Hauter



Most Likely to be Late for Graduation
Kristy Swets and Ian Segovia



Couple that should have been
Bojan Cude and Demetra Kolintzas



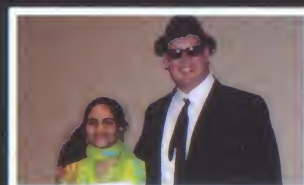
Inseperable Friends
Jessica Ramos and Ariel Rosado



Most Accident Prone
Alyssa Goodfriend and Hector Martinez (not pictured)



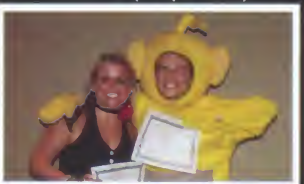
Biggest Flirt
Byrne Dempsey and Genna Noel



Most Likely to be Successful
Shloka Kini and Mark Kalinich



Best Personality
Lauren DeYoung and Michael Adams



Best Smile
Jenny Gross and Adam Szewciw



Best Eyes
Brittany Kerwin and Neil Koricanac



Worst Case of Senioritis
Corey McNulty and Brittany Adams (not pictured)



Most Involved
Mark Kalinich and Shloka Kini



Most Likely to be President
Frank Ruvoli and Britni Weiner

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class of 2009

“Making choices becomes a tougher task when decisions start flying at us faster and faster as the school year comes to a close.”



be distracted: Christine Callahan (11) paints her stain glass window during a High School Art Club meeting. High School Art Club was painting the stain glass windows in order to put them in the local safety village.



be solo: Thomas Plummer (12) directs the cast members, Salvador Parmigiano (9), Olivia Doan (9), Amy Rupp (9) and Alexi Lewis (9) during practice for the play, *Sorry Shakespeare*. Plummer was one of the student directors of the four freshman plays.



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- Sit down and listen up. Make the right choice after listening to Nicole Wernes' presentation about how drinking and driving affected her life.
- Don't forget breakfast. Buy a muffin to help the members of BPA raise money for their trip to nationals in Dallas, Texas. Unfortunately, the boys' muffin profits didn't have a chance to help them as the national competition was cancelled because of Swine Flu.
- Seize the spotlight. Rock out with Andrew Srisuwananukorn (12) and company, who won the talent show, to "I Believe in a Thing Called Love."
- Go the extra mile. Watch as Kyle Ayersman (9) wrestled to third place at state in a triple overtime and Chris Johnson (12) claimed his second title as the 100 yard breast stroke state champion. Johnson also is one of the only LC athletes to get two consecutive state wins.
- Make the best of it. Dress up and dance with your fellow senior classmates at Senior Banquet even though the DJ's were not what seniors expected.
- Finish strong. Don't trip as you walk across the Star Plaza stage and get ready to take on the world. Cherish those last few steps you have as a student in the halls of LC.

1.

be stranded: Kyle Lisek (11) licks an oversized lollipop while at the Millenium Park train station in Chicago. Lisek and his friends missed their first train, so they had to wait at the station until 10:30 pm.

2.

be laughing: Kyle Pratt (12) and Andrew Siegel (12) joke around during a track practice. The boys track team was able to be serious and practice, but also have some fun.

3.

be in motion: Kristina Vujanic (9), Angela Gerlach (9), Danielle Kulina (9) perform their made-up dance at the tennis pasta party. The girls made up their dance to "Shake It" by Metro Station.

be.

Although the school year heads toward the end of second semester, the world outside of our adolescent-containing walls is far from winding down. The end of the school year was accompanied by occurrences that could have impacts on who we are and how we act.



- Stay home. Listen as Mr. Larry Veracco tells you once again to stay home from school because the below zero weather lasted for about a week at the beginning of the semester keeping us all cooped up in our homes for four snow days extending the school year until June 11.
- Start off strong. Watch Barack Obama complete his first one hundred days in office complete with putting the stimulus plan into law, being the first president on the *Tonight Show*, and getting a new dog.
- Stay healthy. Wash your hands and get plenty of Vitamin C to protect yourself from the Swine Flu Pandemic that originated in Mexico and actually affected some students at Protsman Elementary School.
- "Vote yes." Gather in the auditorium in the company of Dr. Gerald Chabot, students, and families to argue about the fate of LC and whether or not the referendum should be passed.
- Keep expanding. Notice the cafeteria is far from being finished while construction workers continue to work behind the school to give us more room to get our midday fuel.

So get ready. Between the expanding, voting, and the possibilities those things bring, we have no other choice than to just be.



1. be in the spirit: During a French Club meeting, Kayla Greenwell (11) paints an ornament for the holiday season. Some members of French Club incorporated French phrases onto their ornaments.

2. be full of joy: Megan Lynch (10) and Erik Plesha (10) enjoy a slow dance during Winter Formal. Winter Formal took place on Saturday January 31 at the Halls of St. George.

3. be focused: Bradley Zditosky (12) and Colin Hoernig (12) remain focused during a BPA meeting. BPA was supposed to go to nationals in Dallas, Texas, but it was cancelled due to the Swine Flu scare.



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be in charge: David Cybulski (11) is working on building piece for the set of *Beauty and the Beast*, the spring musical. Cybulski was in charge of keeping order and staying organized during the building of the set.



be inquisitive: Dwight McKinley (12) and Mrs. Kathy Ignas, science, work on completing a pedigree during Human Genetics. McKinley and Mrs. Ignas worked together in order to trace the family's origin.



Mrs. Sandy Bushong, Art



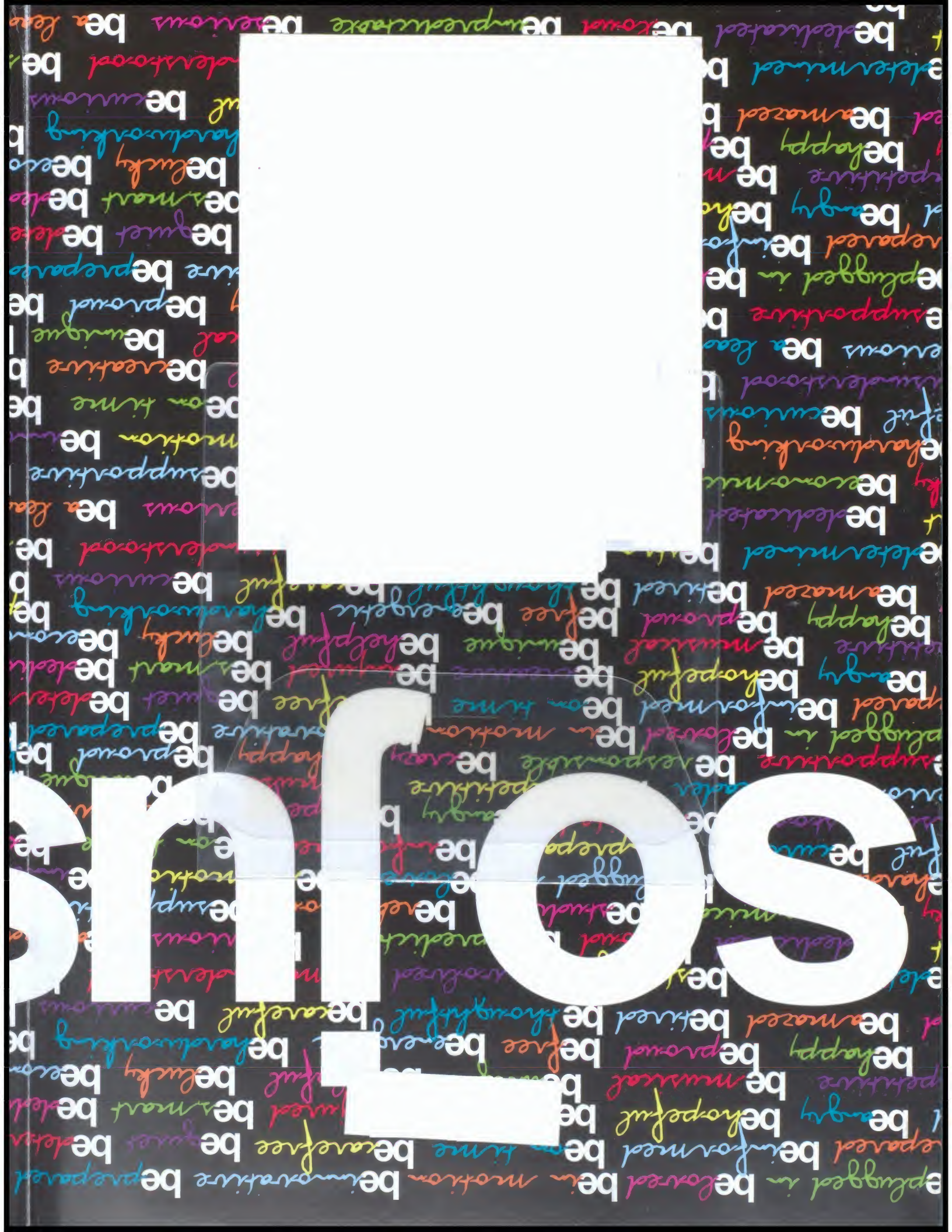
Amy Troy (12)



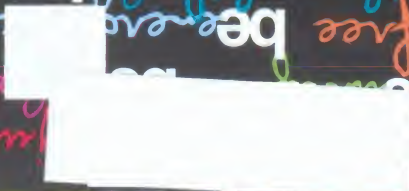
Callin Keach (9)



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